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Breakthrough vote for talks

Signalmen raise hopes of end to strike

BY JILL SHERMAN AND PHILIP BASSETT

THE long-awaited breakthrough in the 14-week rail strike came yesterday as signal workers voted to resume talks with Railtrack on productivity and for the first time to discuss restructuring.

Leaders of the RMT rail union will be under strong pressure to agree to new productivity talks when they meet in London today. If the union's executive agrees to back the signal workers, talks with the conciliation service Acas could be held this week with the prospect of the 19th strike due on Friday being suspended.

The union insisted that yesterday's vote did not mark a climbdown or a concession in the dispute. Jimmy Knapp, the union's leader, said: "This is a positive and serious move by the union to try to bring Railtrack back to the negotiating table. Our claim has not been abandoned. That must be negotiated at the same time as restructuring."

Amid signs that rank-and-file support for the strike is crumbling, the 100 representatives at the annual RMT signalling grades' conference in Great Yarmouth voted overwhelmingly for fresh talks with their employer.

The decision came when signal workers agreed to drop their demand that past productivity payments of 11 per cent should be settled before any talks on restructuring, a pre-condition that has been the main obstacle blocking talks so far.

Railtrack and the Government gave a cautious welcome to the move, although the conference has no policy-making power: the vote has no effect unless ratified by the RMT executive. Yesterday's vote, however, is the first official poll of signal workers' views since the strike started.



Knapp: "positive and serious move"

Although some left-wing members of the RMT national executive might balk today at talking now with Railtrack about restructuring, the fact that the resolution comes from the signal workers' own annual conference which a year ago first called for the industrial action is significant.

There is pressure from some RMT quarters to ensure that the strike steps on is at least suspended during the Labour Party conference which starts on October 3. The Tories inevitably would exploit any industrial unrest during the conference week, underlining union links with the party.

Mr Knapp is said to have urged members of the executive, which has 21 members, to move away from their hardline demands. He floated the idea of parallel negotiations on productivity and restructuring in private talks in Glasgow on Saturday night, before addressing a rally supporting the strike.

Under this formula, the union would negotiate separately but at the same time on the two main issues. Vernon Hince, the union's chief negotiator and Mr Knapp's deputy, said that the union would not drop its demand for an interim payment for past productivity as part of the talks. He also said that the signal workers would intensify their strikes if no such payments were made.

However, he made clear that the vote marked a big shift in the union's negotiating position. "This is another genuine attempt by our members and by RMT to get talks going again," Mr Hince said on BBC Radio 4's *World This Weekend*.

"What we are saying now is that since they (Railtrack) recognised on June 8 that there was a past productivity issue — by their offer of 5.7 per cent — we will talk on both restructuring and we will talk on interim payments." He urged Railtrack to reopen talks quickly.

John Edmonds, Railtrack's chief executive, said he welcomed the movement in the RMT's position. "Railtrack welcomes any move which will enable the RMT to sit down with us and settle the restructuring issue once and for all," he said. If the RMT executive gives their negotiating team a realistic mandate, then talks could begin quickly," he added.

The Transport Department said: "We welcome any willingness by the RMT to negotiate and talk about future productivity."

According to Railtrack, 59 per cent of the network was working on September 13 and 14, when the last strike was held. The strike has disrupted the rail network on 18 days resulting in fare and freight receipt losses of about £150 million.



SIMON WALKER

Ernest Saunders, the jailed Guinness chief, says his chances of a fair trial were zero

Saunders says he hopes EU ruling will clear him

BY FRANCES GIBB
LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

ERNEST Saunders, the former Guinness chief jailed for five years for false accounting and theft, could have his conviction quashed after a landmark European ruling that he was denied a fair trial.

In a decision which will deal a huge blow to the statutory powers of City fraud investigators, the European Commission of Human Rights will this week find by 14 to one that the methods by which evidence was obtained from Mr Saunders were "oppressive" and impaired his ability to defend himself.

Yesterday Mr Saunders, 58, who has been attempting to rebuild his life since his release from prison, broke his three-year silence. He said: "My main concern has been to clear my name and such a ruling by the commission would be a very important part of that process."

Mr Saunders was charged after giving evidence to Department of Trade and Industry inspectors about the £2.7 billion takeover battle for Distillers by Guinness in 1985.

Speaking from his home in London, where he works as a business consultant, Mr Saunders said: "I was an innocent person who did not have the chance by due process, by any fair process, to prove his innocence."

The commission judges say that under questioning by DTI investigators, Mr Saunders was "in effect compelled to incriminate himself" during his near seven-month trial in 1990 and that this "incriminating material", handed over by DTI inspectors to the prosecution, was a "not insignificant part of the evidence against him at his trial".

He was therefore deprived of a fair hearing in breach of article six of the European Convention on Human Rights

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Haitian generals may quit if Aristide lets them stay

FROM TOM RHODES IN PORT-AU-PRINCE AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

JIMMY Carter, the former American President, was expected to leave Haiti yesterday with a written agreement from the military leadership that they would stand down in the face of imminent American military intervention.

The apparent agreement by Lieutenant-General Raoul Cédras, leader of Haiti's military, was said to be conditional on acceptance by America and Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the ousted President, that the junta should be allowed to stay in the country. He was said to have insisted that the Haitian army retain its prominent role in Haitian affairs. General Cédras was believed to be confident of a solution to the confrontation.

Mr Carter was expected to outline the proposal to President Clinton in Washington last night where it would be shown to Mr Aristide for his approval. The accord appeared to name General Jean-Claude Duperval as the new military leader. Mr Aristide has long been in contact with General Duperval.

In Washington the Administration refused to comment on the talks' progress beyond describing them as "serious and constructive". A senior Haitian source said: "you have every reason to be confident that this is going to have a positive outcome", but Warren Christopher, the Secretary of State, urged caution.

It is unlikely that Mr Aristide, who has always demanded that General Cédras, Brigadier General Phillipe Biamby and Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Michel François must leave, would accept such terms. Panama and Argentina offered at the weekend to accept the three men.

Leon Panetta, White House Chief of Staff, hinted that an invasion could begin early this morning. However, Mr Clinton is under immense pressure to reach a deal. An opinion poll yesterday showed that Americans are opposed to an invasion by 58 per cent to 27 despite the President's address on Thursday night.

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Man dies in coach crash

One man was killed and five others were seriously injured last night when a double-decker coach carrying the band of the Royal Marines collided with two other vehicles and a caravan on the M5 near Cleveden, Avon, and plunged down an embankment into a field.

Major leaves for trade mission

John Major flew to Saudi Arabia yesterday, the first stop on a tour of the Middle East and South Africa to boost trade. He will be the first British Prime Minister to visit South Africa since Harold Macmillan in 1960 Page 11

Reynolds under fire on Ulster

Hardline unionists scoffed at the suggestion of Albert Reynolds, the Irish Prime Minister, that he did not expect to witness a united Ireland in his generation. Sinn Fein said it was disappointed Page 2

Blair effect mars Ashdown's party

BY NICHOLAS WOOD AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

PADDY Ashdown was trying to paper over the cracks last night after the opening day of the Liberal Democrat conference was marred with division and disarray over links with Tony Blair's new-look moderate Labour Party.

Dashing speculation that he would his party shift closer to Labour, Mr Ashdown insisted that the "fog" surrounding Labour's intentions made it premature to ditch the existing policy of anchoring the Liberal Democrats midway between the Tories and Labour. At a rally last night, he pledged to sail "full steam ahead" between John Major's "drifting hulk" and Tony Blair's vessel "shrouded in mist".

But as the Liberal Democrat leader struggled to gain time to resolve the identity crisis, triggered by the rise of a voter-friendly Labour party, he was caught in the crossfire of rival camps squabbling over the significance of the Blair effect. Party heavyweights Lord Jenkins of Hillhead and Baroness Williams of Crosby lined up to press for a closer partnership with Mr Blair, saying that it was inconceivable that the Liberal Democrats could prop up a minority Tory government after the next election.

However, battle-scarred activists, fresh from victories over Labour in local elections in early summer, warned Mr Ashdown against a rapprochement with Mr Blair. Jon Whitehouse, of the National Youth Organisation said: "We gained over 400 local seats in the last year. The last thing we should be doing is cosying up to Labour."

At last night's rally in Brighton, Mr Ashdown, however, did not rule out co-operation for the common good with others of like mind. "But no one should mistake our acceptance of partnership for being a pushover. We are the enemies of old-style Labourism as much as of new-style doctrinaire Conservatism," he said.

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Athens sends a Greek bearing educational gifts

BY BEN PRESTON
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE future of ancient Greek at one of the last state schools to teach the language is secure after an unprecedented intervention by the Greek government.

Colchester Royal Grammar School in Essex has reversed a decision to remove ancient Greek from the timetable this month following a flood of donations exceeding £110,000.

The Greek government has agreed to provide the school with a teacher for the next five years at a cost of about £75,000. Panagis Koumantos, a Greek philanthropist, the mayor of Kalamai, has also pledged more than £37,500.

They both stepped in after *The Times* reported opposition from parents and teachers to a governors' decision in February to phase out Greek at the Colchester school after more than 50 years. The school sought to shave about £15,000 from its annual budget of more than £1.5 million.

The rescue package has instead allowed new classes in Greek to start this term. Stewart Francis, the head teacher, said the original report in *The Times* was picked up by Greek newspapers. "Questions were even raised in the Greek parliament. The government responded and said it was keen to help." He said: "As a former classicist myself I felt very sad about the whole decision to drop Greek. It was an unhappy situation but now it has turned turned into a massive plus."

Mr Francis said that by supplying a part-time teacher, Mrs Polyxeni Karaviti, the Greek government had ensured the school could continue to offer ancient Greek for at least five years. Further donations would enable it to be safeguarded for an additional two and a half years.



Karaviti: helping to secure ancient Greek

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European Court 'strangling our liberties'



Sir Patrick: powers of court should be curbed

■ A leading academic lawyer accuses the European Court of acting in direct violation of the Treaty of Rome and of advancing the doctrine of its own supremacy over national courts, Nicholas Wood reports

THE legal tentacles of the European Court of Justice are exerting a growing stranglehold over domestic laws and liberties, one of Britain's foremost academic lawyers has said.

Sir Patrick Neill, Warden of All Souls College, Oxford, urged European leaders to find ways of curbing the growing power of the court as they prepared for the 1996 conference that will review the institutions of the European Union.

Sir Patrick was speaking at Brasenose College, Oxford, over the weekend at the inaugural meeting of a new pan-European grouping of centre-right politicians formed to resist moves towards a federal Europe and return powers to member states.

His trenchant criticisms of the court won support from Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, who said that he had a "great deal of sympathy" for Sir Patrick's call for a reversal of recent trends.

The conference, attended by about 40 parliamentarians from 15 countries, including six leading Conservative MPs, later committed itself to a campaign aimed at cutting back the court. Michael Spicer, Tory MP for Worcestershire South, said the group was planning a bigger meeting in Paris in December and had already agreed that it would press Europe's leaders to scrap plans for a single currency and slash the powers of the Brussels commission.

Sir Patrick accused the court of acting in direct violation of the Treaty of Rome, of advancing the spurious doctrine of its own supremacy over national courts, making law to suit itself, and contravening the text of the written law.

He said that the "creeping extension of the power of the European Court" was a "huge problem" that should be tackled by governments at the 1996 summit. "I am just flagging anxieties which I have about the way in which the European Court has been operating. It operates as a legislative body over which there is no control of higher authority.

"We have an extra wheel on the coach, which is not only deciding but directly legislating, when it finds gaps (in the treaty) of things it does not like."

Sir Patrick said that there could be no objection to the supremacy of European law over national law. But the court had extended that to the "occupied field doctrine", under which once they had held that an area of domestic life was subject to European legislation, national legislatures were rendered powerless.

"Not only do they stress the supremacy of Community law but — this is the worry — they stress the supremacy of the European Court. The classic example of that is the case they cited that it is not open to a national court to rule, for example, that a directive was passed in contravention of the powers of the law-making body.

"So the question of *ultra vires* of a decision made by the European Court cannot be tackled in local courts. That is a direct violation of article 177 of the treaty (of Rome).

"They also claim the power to fill gaps in the treaty and subordinate legislation and indeed to contradict the text of the written law."

Sir Patrick also attacked the court for ruling that a citizen has a direct right of damages against his own government if it fails to enact appropriate legislation giving effect to directives.

The Ministry of Defence had been forced to pay out millions of pounds in compensation to women who, in contravention of European law, were dismissed from the service after becoming pregnant.

"That is based on nothing at all in the treaty and is pure judicial legislation," Sir Patrick said.

He also attacked the court for "rewriting the Treaty of Rome".

Opponents unite to condemn Reynolds' remarks on unity

By Nicholas Watt, Ireland Correspondent

AN UNLIKELY alliance of hardline Unionists and Sinn Fein condemned Albert Reynolds yesterday after he said that he did not expect to witness Irish unity within the next 20 years.

Martin McGuinness, of Sinn Fein, said he was surprised and disappointed at the comments. The tone of his language was matched by Peter Robinson, deputy leader of the Democratic Unionists, who scoffed at the suggestion of Irish unity.

Their comments came after Mr Reynolds said that Irish unity was at least 20 years away. The Irish Prime Minister told *The Observer* that he would like to see a united Ireland but added: "You wouldn't get it in my generation ... If we can get a new accommodation as to how the whole Ireland is to go forward, let the whole situation evolve."

He said he could not understand why Unionists were so opposed to unity. "How could they take such a narrow view, because if you apply proportional representation to the political system down here ... they could control the destiny of this island; not us taking them over."

Commentators were surprised by the timing of Mr Reynolds's remarks because he has tried to reward Sinn Fein to appease hardline republicans. Mr McGuinness, who provides his party's strongest link to the IRA, reflected republican anxieties over the interview, saying: "I'm sure there are many people, particularly within the Nationalist community, but also throughout the island, who will also be surprised and disappointed. Quite clearly we should not take pessimistic views at this stage of the outcome of the talks that are going to take place."

Mr Robinson criticised Mr Reynolds for trying to lay the groundwork for a smooth transition for Irish unity, but insisted that there would never be a united Ireland. He also laid down his conditions for joining talks on the future of Northern Ireland when he called on the Government to set aside the Downing Street declaration.

He said that he was encouraged by John Major's announcement of a referendum of the outcome of inter-party talks. However, he added there was no point in entering dialogue if it was based on the "unacceptable" Downing Street declaration and the framework document being drawn up by British and Irish officials.

Mr Robinson said: "The DUP will not be involved in talks where the game is fixed and the result already set. If Mr Major is saying that we have to join talks based on the principles of the declaration and the framework document it would be foolish to go in."

The Ulster Unionists will take their case to Washington this week. David Trimble, MP for Upper Bann, and Jeffrey Donaldson, the party's honorary secretary, will lead a delegation in talks with National Security Council and State Department officials on Thursday and Friday.

☐ Suspected Loyalists threw petrol bombs at the homes of RUC officers in Dromore, Co Down, on Saturday night. The bombs caused minor damage.

☐ More than 200 relatives of the Ulster counter-terrorism specialists killed in a helicopter crash on the Mull of Kintyre visited the scene of the disaster yesterday for a memorial service for the 29 dead.

Prisoners' perks to be reformed

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Correspondent

PRIVILEGES granted to top security prisoners at Whitemoor prison, including the IRA escapers, are to be reformed after criticism from a Prison Service working party.

The men could cook for visitors, had extra food bought for them, did no work, received extra private cash and better allowances than other prisoners. They were also allowed to build up large collections of private belongings.

The inquiry into the escape ordered by the Home Secretary is certain to focus on these privileges and how they might have been used by the IRA men to hide escape equipment, including guns.

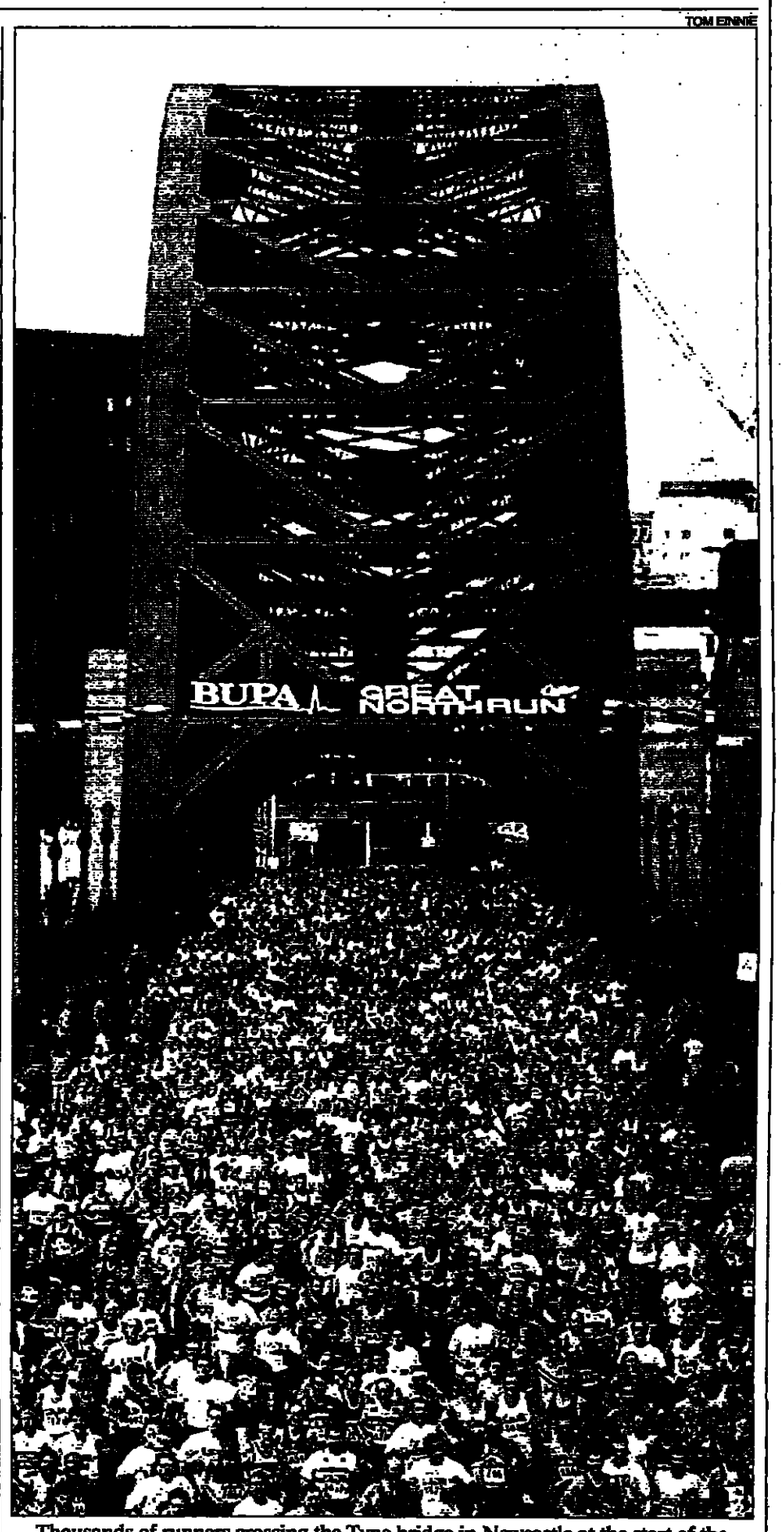
The scale of private propert became so great that staff could rarely carry out thorough fortnightly security searches in the crammed cells and the boxes overflowing on to the prison landings.

Home Office sources confirmed yesterday that an inspection of Whitemoor earlier this year by Judge Stephen Tumim, the Chief Inspector of Prisons, expressed unhappiness at this privileged lifestyle and how category A prisoners made use of prison officers. He was concerned that the prison officers might have come under the influence of their charges.

The Prison Service working party was set up at the end of last year. The importance of its work was underlined in April by Derek Lewis, the Director General of the service. Its report, to be delivered within weeks, is expected to propose a system where privileges are properly earned through good behaviour and work.

Prisoners who behave could increase the number of visits, have duvets instead of blankets and be allowed to cook. The changes would mean a major overhaul of the system for long-term prisoners and the report examine why they should have enhanced perks.

TOM EINNIE



Thousands of runners crossing the Tyne bridge in Newcastle at the start of the Great North Run half marathon yesterday Report, page 24, results, page 34

Police forces face funding changes

Some police forces face spending cuts of up to 17 per cent under Home Office funding proposals due to be published today. The Home Office said the plan did not mean a cut in the total expenditure on the police but a different way of sharing out the budget. Although 27 forces would be better off in the next financial year, others would face cuts. Scotland Yard could lose 5.7 per cent of its £1.6 billion budget. Surrey could suffer a cut of 17 per cent.

Sir Paul Condon, Metropolitan Police Commissioner, said that, if the figures were correct, "it would be a major blow to our operational capacity". The Association of Chief Police Officers, which is part of the working party, said it had raised objections.

Nickell case for review

A team of senior detectives has been appointed by Sir Paul Condon, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, to conduct a detailed review of the two-year Rachel Nickell murder inquiry. Preliminary work has already begun on the painstaking exercise which will be led by Ian Johnstone, an assistant commissioner with responsibility for CID matters. Sir Paul said: "We are reviewing every aspect of this case and resifting everything we've done to see if there are further leads to follow up."

State schools backed

Growing numbers of parents are satisfied with the education provided by state schools, according to a new survey. The MORI poll shows that 83 per cent of parents are happy with the standard of secondary schooling, up from 74 per cent in 1987. Primary schools are approved by 86 per cent. Parents support traditional teaching, strong discipline and competitive sport in schools. Only 15 per cent oppose tests at 14, with 34 per cent against tests at seven and 11.

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Ferry passengers hurt

Twenty-one passengers were injured when a Color Line Viking ferry was battered by gales and 50ft waves during a North Sea crossing from Norway at the weekend. The passengers were treated for cuts, bruises and broken limbs after the ship docked at North Shields, Tyne and Wear. One woman was detained in hospital yesterday.

Nadir aide to return

Elizabeth Forsyth, Asil Nadir's assistant, will report to police today when she returns from Turkish northern Cyprus. The Serious Fraud Office issued a warrant for her arrest after the collapse in 1990 of Polly Peck, Mr Nadir's company. Mrs Forsyth, 57, was chairman of South Audley Management, Mr Nadir's personal company.

Abduction charge

Ian White, 30, of no fixed abode, was remanded in custody until October 7 by Exeter magistrates at the weekend charged with abducting and indecently assaulting a woman. It follows an alleged incident on Thursday night in Exeter when a woman was bundled into her car at knifepoint as she withdrew cash from a building society.

Blair's CND links

Labour admitted yesterday that Tony Blair was briefly a member of the party's Parliamentary Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament in the 1980s, three days after it had denied he had ever joined the organisation. A spokesman said Mr Blair had never been a member of mainstream CND but had briefly joined Labour CND.Agenda, page 8

Blessing for Stubbs

The theatre director Trevor Nunn married the actress Imogen Stubbs, right, at a secret ceremony at a London register office on Saturday. The marriage was blessed yesterday at a service at Holy Trinity Church, Cambo, Northumberland. The bride's parents had been married in the same church.



Gas link in the pipeline

Work on a multimillion-pound gas pipeline linking Scotland and Northern Ireland is expected to start next summer, taking natural gas to the province for the first time. The pipeline will branch off the Scotland to southern Ireland pipeline completed last year. It will end at Ballylumford oil-fired power station, which will convert to gas.

Sir Karl Popper dies

Sir Karl Popper, right, the philosopher credited with influencing the ideology underpinning Baroness Thatcher's Conservatism, has died aged 92. He was a hero to those living under oppressive regimes for his book *The Open Society and its Enemies*, which exposed Marxism's scientific pretensions. **Obituary, page 21**



Case that highlighted 'greed-is-good' ethos of the City

How Guinness chief landed in dock

By Jonathan Prynn

WHEN Ernest Saunders was found guilty of 12 charges of conspiracy, theft and false accounting at Southwark Crown Court just over four years ago, the verdict brought to an end one of the most sensational City fraud cases of the century.

The 112-day first Guinness trial, opening at the beginning of the sober, recession-hit 1990s, gave the nation a gripping insight into the ruthless "greed-is-good" City of the 1980s. In passing sentence, the judge said Mr Saunders had been guilty of dishonesty on a massive scale but had been influenced by the greedy and corrupting business ethos of the time that led eventually to his downfall.

Ernest Saunders had transformed the family-run brewer into a highly profitable international drinks conglomerate.

His crime was been to pay £25 million to his friends in the City, including his co-defendants, Anthony Parnes, Gerald Ronson and Sir Jack Lyons (who was stripped of his knighthood in March 1991), as part of an illegal operation to support the Guinness share price.

In early 1986 Guinness was locked in a titanic struggle with the Argyll retail group for control of Distillers, the giant drinks company. During the spring of that year, tens of millions of pounds were poured into buying Guinness shares to push up their value and make it easier for the company to win the battle for Distillers. After the takeover, rumours of the illegal share-buying operation gradually leaked out, partly through evidence given by Wall Street insider traders in America.

The jury took six days to reach its verdict on the sad, haggard figure who, as chairman and chief executive of Guinness, had been one of the most feared boardroom predators during the takeover frenzy of the 1980s.

Saunders' conviction may be quashed

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the commission concludes. The implications of the ruling are enormous. Mr Saunders, released in June 1991 from Ford Open Prison after serving one third of his sentence, could see the battle to clear his name go back to the Court of Appeal and his conviction quashed.

The Government could be ordered to pay him compensation which may be substantial; as well as facing legal action from others who can argue that their convictions were secured because they were forced to incriminate themselves.

But at the same time the Government could also be forced to revise a host of legislation which gives wide powers to investigators. The ruling undermines the powers of DTI inspectors to tackle white collar crime as well as those of a host of prosecuting authorities which have similar powers to compel suspects to answer questions on pain of imprisonment.

Mr Saunders maintains the cards were stacked against him from the start. He cites the failure of Guinness to help him after promising to do so, the huge problems in obtaining documents from the company to help with the case; the "cat and mouse" behaviour of DTI investigators and the long delays in bringing the case to trial.

He also cites the media coverage and "hype" which, he says, could have made it difficult for any juror "not to have known who I was". Coupled with the pressure for a scapegoat, the chances of a fair trial were, he says, "zero".

The Government has six months to respond to the commission's findings. However if, a "friendly settlement" cannot be reached, then the commission itself would take the case before the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg.

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Detective on bail for murder of mistress found dead

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A MARRIED detective who went on the run accused of murdering his pregnant mistress is thought to have killed himself after his body was found in a fume-filled car.

Detective Constable Vincent Hand, 31, was charged with strangling Angela Jenkinson when she was seven months pregnant. A remand hearing was told that she had threatened to tell his wife and the Child Support Agency he was the father of the child, although DNA tests showed that he was not.

A warrant for the arrest of DC Hand was issued after he failed to answer bail for a futher court appearance on Friday. His body was found on Saturday evening in remote woodland at Melton Constable, Norfolk. He had left a note for the coroner and another for his wife, Louise, giving details of funeral arrangements.

The prosecution alleged that DC Hand tried to persuade Miss Jenkinson to have an abortion after she pressured him to take care of her and the baby.

Police said his death was not being treated as suspicious. A hosepipe had been connected to the car's exhaust. The body was identified by Mrs Hand.

DC Hand, a vice-squad officer based in Bradford, had been missing since Wednesday when he failed to make a routine check with police in Norwich, where he had been ordered to live with relatives as a bail condition.

He was charged with murdering Miss Jenkinson, 32, between March 30 and April 2 this year. Her semi-naked body was found on waste ground in Bradford on Good Friday, less than 100yds from her home. Doctors were unable to save the baby.

DC Hand was in custody for 17 weeks but released on bail by Mr Justice Sachs after a chambers application at Leeds Crown Court on July 29. DC Hand was ordered to live with his wife's parents.

Rodney Lester, DC Hand's solicitor, successfully applied on Friday for reporting retrictions to be lifted to appeal for help to trace him.

Mr Lester said: "When I first learnt there was a six-page letter to the coroner in which he put his affairs in order and wrote to his family, I did have fears this was would be the outcome. Police have the notes but as far as I know they contain no confession."

He told magistrates: "It would be quite wrong to assume in the absence of evidence that Mr Hand's disappearance is somehow linked to his responsibility for the death of Angela Jenkinson."

An earlier court hearing had been told that DC Hand had known Miss Jenkinson for eight years. Chris Foren, for the prosecution, said that she had been a police informant and she and the detec[illegible] last year.

On the night of her death, DC Hand was keeping watch on a mill near her home. Miss Jenkinson went out three times to meet him and give him supper. She did not return the third time. Her body was found at 7am the following morning and Mr Hand was arrested nine hours later.

Detective Superintendent Gary Haigh, who led the murder inquiry, told the hearing that DC Hand was under pressure. "The stress was coming from his relationship with this woman who was going to tell the CSA and his wife. If the police had got to know he may well have lost his CID status and compromised his job."

Lloyd Clarke, Assistant Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, said: "The criminal inquiry, which resulted in the appearance of Mr Hand before the courts in West Yorkshire, will now be the subject of further discussion between the police and Crown Prosecution Service."



Jenkinson: body found near her home



Hand: had been released on bail

PETER DEJONG



A former bombardier with the 1st Air Landing Light Regiment, H. Trinder, 81, at yesterday's service at Oosterbeek War Cemetery to commemorate comrades killed at the Battle of Arnhem in 1944. The Prince of Wales laid a wreath

Prince's tribute to heroism of veterans

FROM MICHAEL BINYON IN ARNHEM

THE Prince of Wales yesterday told more than 2,000 veterans and widows of the Battle of Arnhem that their heroism and self-sacrifice would never be forgotten.

Addressing a sea of maroon berets, worn by the elderly survivors who gathered in the war cemetery at Oosterbeek to remember fallen comrades, the Prince paid homage to the British 1st Airborne Division and the Polish Brigade.

Together with Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands, the Prince led the mourners at the simple service amid rows of white headstones, marking the graves of 1,745 British and Polish troops.

Meanwhile, after Saturday's disappointment of being prevented by bad weather from taking part in the commemorative parachute drop, veterans jumped yesterday, 25 miles north of Arnhem.

The Prince spoke of the bravery of the Dutch people who suffered terribly during and after the nine-day battle. He laid a red wreath at the foot of the tall stone cross beside the white one laid by Queen Beatrix. A score more were presented by British, Polish and Dutch officials, veterans' organisations, and the ambassadors of America, Canada and New Zealand.

The veterans, some rather frail, looked on with emotion. Their chests of medals testified to bravery, their spirits and pride unconstrained.

General Sir John Hackett, Commander 4 Parachute Brigade during the battle, and now the senior surviving veteran, read the lesson.

The Rev E. L. Phillips, a padre from 3 Para Battalion 50 years ago, and Dr H. J. Ponsteen, the vicar of Oosterbeek, spoke of the enduring friendship between the Airborne Division and the Dutch people they had been unable to liberate.

That friendship, visible to every English visitor over the past four days of the veterans' pilgrimage, was carried forward with the laying of flowers beside each headstone by children from Arnhem and local villages. This year they were joined by girls from Putney High School, south-west London and Polish schoolchildren and scouts.

At the Teuge airfield, George Sheldrake, 80, led yesterday's parachute drop by veterans, landing with pin-point precision strapped to an Army instructor. "It's very emotional to land back here," Mr Sheldrake, of Liverpool, said as a crowd cheered.

Tom Smithson, the first solo jumper, emerged calmly from a field of corn, having overshot the landing area. "I wish this corn had been around 50 years ago," Mr Smithson, 70, of Birmingham, said. "It's beautiful to drop back on to Dutch soil. The reception has been overwhelming."

☐ Gen Sir John Hackett was injured and taken to hospital after his car was in an accident when he was leaving the ceremony. Sir John, 83, had stitches in his ear. His wife suffered a leg injury.

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Man struck by train loses legs

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A MAN who lay on a railway track for four hours after a train severed both his legs told his mother yesterday that his biggest worry was that he would not be able to play football again.

Paul Pears, 27, was taking a short cut home after a night out in a pub with his brother and a friend when he was hit by a freight train at about 2am on Saturday. He was not found until 6am when the driver of another train saw him on the track at Chertsey, Surrey.

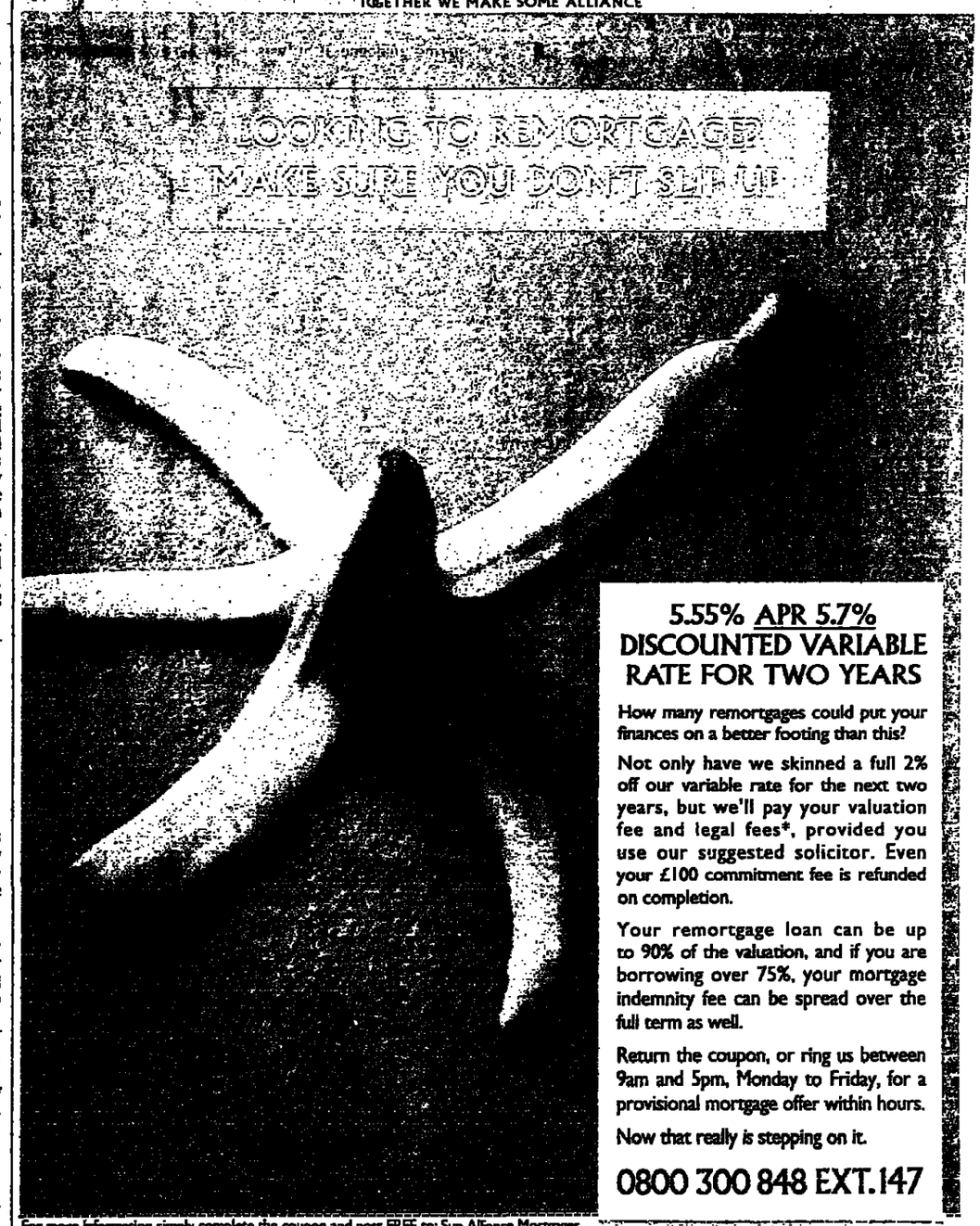
His mother, Marie, 47, said after visiting him hospital: "He was very coherent. He knew he had lost one leg as he lay on the track because he could see it on the line. I was amazed at how talkative he was. All he was worried about was that he wouldn't be able to play football again." Mr Pears, a labourer with a Surrey firm making concrete posts, regularly played soccer for a pub team at Chertsey.

Last night he was in a stable condition in St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey. Doctors were unable to sew the legs back on. Mr Pears's brother, Malcolm, said that after leaving the pub, which had an extended licence, Paul walked to a taxi rank at the railway station with his friend and then decided to take a short cut to his home in Chertsey, further along the track.

British Transport Police investigating the incident said Mr Pears was seen on the track by the driver of a 6am passenger train bound for Weybridge. Sergeant Alan Hawkett said: "He was fully conscious and reckons he was hit up to four hours earlier by a freight train. He was lying on top of one of his severed legs and the other was several yards down the line. It's amazing he's alive. He's very lucky he wasn't killed but he may spend the rest of his life in a wheelchair."

It was thought that the shock of the collision caused his blood vessels to seal, preventing him from bleeding to death.

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Police inquiry after earl's daughter is found dead

BY BILL FROST

THE death of Lady Alethea Savile, a former girlfriend of James Gilbey, the one-time confidant of the Princess of Wales, was being investigated by police last night.

She was found dead at her flat in Chelsea, London, by her brother, Viscount Pollington, on Friday night. Lady Alethea, 31, daughter of the Earl of Mexborough, had apparently fallen and struck her head.

Police said there were no suspicious circumstances but further tests were being carried out after an inconclusive post-mortem examination.

Earlier this year Lady Alethea, a freelance writer who for years had had problems with drugs, sold the story of her relationship with Mr Gilbey to a newspaper. She claimed that Mr Gilbey warned her that the so-called Squidgy Tapes, allegedly a recording of his telephone conversations with the Princess, were in existence months before they were made public.

Once the storm broke, she found herself the object of intense media interest. She described the experience as "like being pulled through a windmill backwards — it has been a nightmare". Lady Alethea made no secret of her drug use. She said she had been suffering from clinical depression since she was 15 and "with the illness came problems with drugs".

According to one report, Mr Gilbey helped her to overcome her addiction to heroin, which contemporaries said she had begun using while at Brasenose College, Oxford. She was also said to have been a frequent user of cocaine.

Recently, friends expressed anxiety that she might have returned to drugs. Last month her brother was said to have raised the alarm after she took an overdose.

Asked by a journalist two years ago what words she would chose for her epitaph, she replied: "Be Fast — which is my family motto; fast as in 'true', but also as in a 'fast, racy number'. I like that."

According to the *News of the World* yesterday, Viscount Pollington thought his sister had never come to terms with Mr Gilbey's friendship with the Princess. "It hit her like a ton of bricks. She sank pretty low," he was quoted as saying. Lady Alethea was said to be very close to her mother, Lady Elizabeth Hariot, elder daughter of the sixth Earl of Verulam, who died in 1987 and was described by her daughter's friends as "a fragile character".



Lady Alethea: drug problems for years

Speaking outside their house in South Kensington, Lady Mexborough, Lady Alethea's stepmother, said: "Alethea's father is too upset to give this statement so I am giving it for him. Alethea's death is most tragic at such an early age and a terrible blow to our close-knit family."

Lovestruck boy crashes father's car

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A BOY aged 12 crashed his father's car on the motorway as he drove from Yorkshire to Plymouth to meet a girl he met on holiday.

Brendan Lee, who had never driven before, drove down the M1 at 80mph for 100 miles until he lost control of the car. He caused £2,500 damage to his father's Ford Fiesta after sneaking out of bed at his home in Wakefield.

The boy took £10 and set off for Plymouth, leaving a note for his father, Cameron, which said: "I'm in love with Phillipa. I have to go down and see her." He had met the girl a fortnight earlier while on holiday.

Mr Lee said: "He spent time with Phillipa on holiday. They held hands and kissed but I didn't know it was so serious. He must have thought he was in love with her. What does a 12-year-old know about love?"

A spokesman for Leicestershire Police, who let Brendan off with a caution, said: "When we first spoke to the lad all he could say was 'I didn't go over 70mph, honest'."

Fat and sluggish hand-reared birds are denying shooting enthusiasts a fair challenge

Lazy pheasants refuse to rise to the occasion

By Michael Hornsby, countryside correspondent

AN UNSPORTING prospect faces tens of thousands of shooting enthusiasts who are gearing up for the formal opening of the pheasant season on October 1.

By February 1, when the season closes, some 12 million birds are likely to have been brought to earth but sadly many will have offered little challenge to the guns. The British pheasant just does not fly high enough nor fast enough and many are too lazy to take flight at all.

One theory is that intensive pheasant rearing has inverted the normal principle of selection: the best fliers get culled, while their more sluggish cousins skulk about on the ground and survive, producing less sprightly targets with each generation.

Hugh Van Cutsem, rated last year by *The Field* as one of the top 11 game-shots in Britain, said: "Many birds are not flying as well as they used to. I blame the people who run the shoots. Over-concentration of reared pheasants in a wood produces birds that tend to lose natural flying ability."

Wild pheasants, he says, are every bit as lively as they were 50 or 60 years ago. A friend of the Prince of Wales, he regularly shoots at Sandringham, in Norfolk, one of a small number of estates still relying solely on wild birds. "They get up from open ground and take off like rockets," he said. "That is the best kind of shooting."

But only the biggest and wealthiest estates are able to produce a shootable surplus from wild stocks. Most shoots buy birds from game farms as day-old chicks or six-week-old poults, hand-rear them in pens and then release them into the wild. The birds that escape the guns are gathered up and their eggs sent back to the game farm to be hatched.

Douglas Wise, a former researcher for the Game Conservancy, said: "In my view, if you are constantly breeding from birds that have survived the season, you are actually selecting the ones that flew so badly that nobody bothered to shoot at them. Game farm birds are now up to 25 per cent heavier than the wild pheasant."

On the Pen-y-Lan estate near Wrexham, in North Wales, Colonel Peter Ormrod is seeking a way out of this vicious circle by hatching pheasants from eggs imported from France. He says game farmers there breed lighter and more agile fowl. "The birds are now 12 weeks old and look distinctly slimmer than the local variety, more like racehorses than cart-horses."

Colonel Ormrod plans to breed only from lighter birds in future. He also thinks feeding practices have made pheasants too tame. "Instead of being frightened of the beaters and flying up into the sky as they used to, the birds often just run along the ground in front of them, or even towards them, thinking they are bringing food."

His gamekeeper used to walk through the woods whistling and the birds ran to him to be fed. This year he has started leaving grain in hoppers or hidden in straw on the ground, often at night when the birds cannot see him. This forces the pheasants to forage and, Colonel Ormrod hopes, will make them wilder and more nervous.

Jamie Illingworth, of the property agent Strutt and Parker, says high-flying birds can be overdone. "In parts of the West Country, people pay over £20 a bird to shoot at pheasants launched from steep hillsides. They are so high they are barely in range even with over-and-unders and double choking [which increases the range of the shot]. It is little more than a fluke if you hit anything."

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HOWARD BARLOW



Colonel Peter Ormrod with 12-week-old French pheasants reared at his estate in North Wales. They are said to be sprightlier than the British-reared pheasant

Muslims kidnap runaway daughter

FOUR members of an Asian family were arrested by armed police yesterday after they tried to kidnap a relative who had set up home with her non-Muslim boyfriend.

The 24-year-old woman, who had run away from an arranged marriage, was dragged screaming into a car by her relatives. Her 31-year-old boyfriend was kicked and punched during the attack. Members of the public who saw the kidnap in Hove, East Sussex, called the police and a car was stopped by armed officers 60 miles away on the M25 in Surrey.

Detectives say they believe the four men, the victim's father, uncle and two brothers, were taking her back to the family home in Small Heath, Birmingham. The kidnap took place in daylight in St Anbyns, Hove, and was seen by several people who passed the registration number of the car to police.

When the car was stopped, the woman was released unhurt and the men were arrested. A knife was found in the car. Four men are helping police with inquiries.

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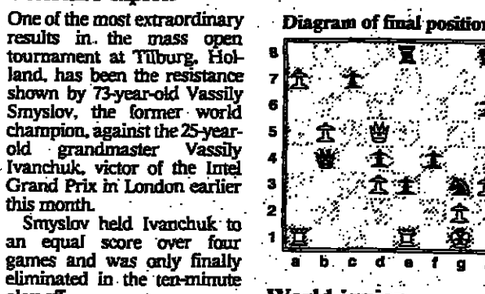
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Dormer on Bridge

By Albert Dormer, bridge correspondent



Opening lead: ♦A

The sequence is expressive and South pictures North with a void in clubs. West leads the ace and another trump. East following suit. How should South play?

Solution: South has 11 winners, counting a club ruff with dummy's trump. He hopes to establish an extra trick in either spades or hearts, but for best results the suits should be tackled in the right order.

Suppose that South plays spades first. When he finds the adverse cards 5-1, he switches to hearts, but cannot overcome the 4-2 break, as there are not enough entries to dummy.

Now suppose that South plays hearts first, cashing the ♥A-K. As it happens, both defenders follow suit, so the contract is assured: the fifth heart can be established by ruffing, as there is a spade entry and a trump.

If hearts were 5-1, South would switch to spades, and could still overcome a 4-2 spade break, as in this case only one re-entry to dummy would be required.

Thus, by playing hearts first the slam is made unless both major suits are 5-1.

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Keene on Chess

By Raymond Keene
Chess correspondent

Veteran's exploit

One of the most extraordinary results in the mass open tournament at Tilburg, Holland, has been the resistance shown by 73-year-old Vassily Smyslov, the former world champion, against the 25-year-old grandmaster Vassily Ivanchuk, victor of the Imel Grand Prix in London earlier this month.

Smyslov held Ivanchuk to an equal score over four games and was only finally eliminated in the ten-minute play-off.

Here is Smyslov's win.

White: Vassily Smyslov
Black: Vassily Ivanchuk
Tilburg, September 1994

Ruy Lopez

1	e4	e5
2	Nf3	Nc6
3	Bb5	a6
4	Ba4	Nf6
5	d3	d6
6	c3	g6
7	Nbd2	Bg7
8	0-0	0-0
9	Re1	Nd7
10	h3	Nc5
11	Bc2	f5
12	exf5	Bxf5
13	Ne4	Ne6
14	Ng3	Qd7
15	Nd5	gxd5
16	Bb3	d5
17	c4	d4
18	Be4	Qd6
19	Bxc6	bxc6
20	Bd2	Rae8
21	b4	Kh8
22	Qb3	c5
23	b5	axb5
24	cxb5	Bf8
25	Re2	Ng7
26	Rae1	Re7
27	a4	Rfe8
28	Ng5	Qd7
29	a5	h6
30	Nf3	e4
31	Nh2	e3
32	fxe3	dxe3
33	Bc1	Bd4
34	Nf3	f4
35	Be3	Nf5
36	a6	Ng3
37	Nxd4	cxd4
38	Bxe7	Qxe7
39	Qd5	Qb4
40	a7	Qa4
41	Ra2	Qb4
42	Raa1	Black resigns

Diagram of final position

World junior

In the junior world championship in Brazil, Britain's Darshan Kumaran fell back at the end to finish tied for third place. The title was won by Gretarsson of Iceland with 9.5 points out of 13 ahead of Zsofia Polgar (Hungary), who took the silver medal with 9 points. Kumaran scored 8.5.

Semi-finals clash

The British grandmasters Nigel Short and Michael Adams start their challenge in the semi-finals of the world championship on Wednesday. The two matches take place in the Spanish town of Linares, in Andalucia.

Short faces Gata Kamsky, the American grandmaster, while Adams is pitted against the Indian grandmaster Vishy Anand.

Short's previous record against Kamsky is excellent and he is confident of victory. Nevertheless, Kamsky has recently demonstrated superb form in clashes against the Russian, Kramnik, in New York and Anand himself in India.

It will be tough contest. Adams starts as the underdog against Anand.

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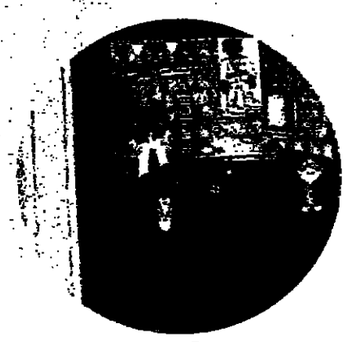
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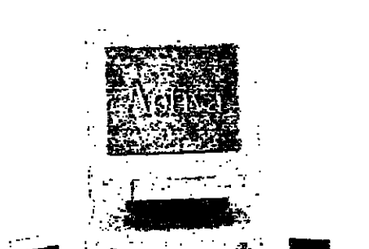












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Top award goes to woman who made her career out of the limelight

Unsung heroine of film industry finds fame at 65

BY LUCY BERRINGTON

CELEBRATED actors and directors gathered in London last night to see an unsung heroine, unknown outside the world of films, take the top award at the British Film Industry Awards.

Angela Allen, a 65-year-old continuity supervisor whose films are more often remembered for their stars, took the award for Career in the Industry at the British Film Industry Awards 1994.

"I was astounded. I didn't even know about this award. I thought the BFI was phoning to offer me a job," she said yesterday. "I think it's the first time a script supervisor, or continuity as they still call us, has ever been acknowledged. One was always the unsung heroine."

Miss Allen is listed in the credits of such legendary films as *The Third Man, The African Queen, Moby Dick, Moulin Rouge, The Misfits, Night of the Iguana,* Polanski's *Macbeth* and Zeffirelli's *Hamlet.*

"I would have liked to go on to direct or produce but women were never looked at in that capacity. We were always secretaries or continuity girls and that was it," she said.

This year's BFI Fellowships, acknowledging outstanding creative achievement, went to the director Nicolas Roeg *(Don't Look Now, The Man Who Fell To Earth* and *The Witches)* and actress the Jean Simmons *(Great Expectations* in 1946, *Hamlet* 1948, *Guys & Dolls).* Present and past fellows include Clint Eastwood, Lord Olivier, Orson Welles, Jeanne Moreau, Gerard Depardieu and Fred Zinnemann.

The BFI Awards, presented at the National Film Theatre, London, have a broader scope than most, honouring such categories as media education, film and television production, documentary film making and animation.

Miss Allen was a secretary before deciding to work in films. She joined Alexander Korda — "by far the most talented producer of his era as well as one the most charming" — as a trainee continuity girl under the supervision of Betty Forster. At the age of 21, the youngest in the business, she was hired for £9 a week to work on *The African Queen,* in which she doubled for Katharine Hepburn. "People tell me I look like her; even John Wayne said it. She was professional, very dictatorial, rather wonderful. She ordered us all around but we didn't mind."

John Houston, a colleague on 14 films, became a close friend. "John took me to America when I did *The Misfits* with Monroe. He insisted I be there. He was very loyal to his crew. It's not quite the same today," she said.

"These people were strong personalities, larger than life. Clark Gable was charming, a gent, very professional. The one time we asked Miss Monroe to be on time for a shot for Mr Gable, because we needed the early light, she was as usual terribly late. I said to Mr Houston, 'If you don't make her get up and say sorry to Mr Gable then I will.' I was just appalled at her lack of manners." Monroe did apologise.

Miss Allen, who received her award from the producer Simon Relph and the actress Diana Quick, is working on *First Knight,* a historical drama starring Sean Connery and Richard Gere. She has no plans to retire. "I'll keep working till the phone never rings and as long as I can physically manage it."

She is aware, however, of declining standards. "Today's directors are less disciplined. Now we churn out film as if it's going out of style."

Guests at the ceremony included Steven Berkoff, Sir Ian McKellen, Natasha Richardson, Franco Zeffirelli, Stephen Woolley, Zoe Wanamaker and Jane Horrocks.

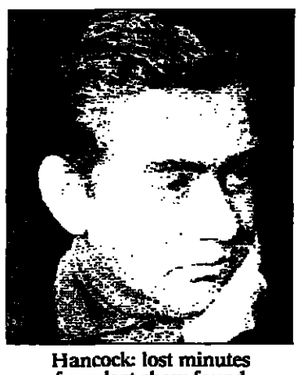
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Archival Achievement Award: *Forbidden Quest,* directed by Peter Delteut.
Mari Kuttna Award for the best animated British Film by a new animator: Steven Harding-Hill for *Angry George Irons.*
Sunderland Trophy for the most promising first feature film: Tran Anh Hung for *Scent of Green Papaya.*
Grierson Award for an outstanding factual film or programme of social and cultural significance: Phil Agland, producer of *Beyond the Clouds.*



Angela Allen with Clark Gable on the set of *The Misfits.* "Monroe kept him waiting but he was charming and a real gent."

Television reclaims past wonders from a rubbish skip



Hancock: lost minutes from last show found

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN
MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE British Film Institute has recovered hours of historic television film from the sixties and seventies that had gone missing from the library shelves of the BBC and independent television companies.

The programmes, which have been recovered from private collections, rubbish skips and overseas archives, include an episode of *At Last the 1948 Show,* a comedy sketch forerunner to *Monty Python's Flying Circus,* made in 1968 and starring fresh-faced youths named John Cleese, Graham Chapman and Tim Brooke Taylor. Three minutes of Tony Hancock's last programme for British television, *Hancock,* made for ITV in 1967, have also been found, as well as *Hippodrome,* a 1966 circus variety show in which Woody Allen spars with a kangaroo.

The BFI's *Missing — Believed Wiped* initiative was launched last year in an attempt to reclaim important material. Highlights from the recovered programmes are to be shown at a four-hour public screening called *TV Paradise Regained* at the National Film Theatre in London on October 1.

Dick Fiddy, a researcher at the BFI, said that the BFI's National Film and Television Archive was particularly interested in finding the early work of people who later became famous, such as the late playwright Dennis Potter. "These programmes are part of our heritage. They provide a social record of what was going on at the time. Not even a newspaper can sum up an era as well as a TV sitcom. There was some fantastically brave and innovative television in the sixties and seventies," he said.

Most of the missing programmes date from before 1975, when it was common practice for television companies to wipe tapes clean and re-record on them, or simply to throw out old film that was taking up storage space. "There was a feeling that television was an ephemeral medium and people in the industry did not necessarily realise what was worth keeping," Mr Fiddy said. By contrast, early programmes were preserved in the United States because they would be copied onto film and sent around to 200 or 300 local television stations.

The BFI is to copy all retrieved material onto digital tape before returning it to the owners.

The latest discoveries come from a variety of sources. The copy of *At Last the 1948 Show* was found in the the archives of a private collector. It is understood that he was given many of his programmes by a friend who found them dumped in a skip in Wardour Street. Much of the programming found its way into the hands of television technicians, who took film home rather than see it wiped or gather dust.

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Round 5: D P T R R (E A O A) ..... PREDATOR

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'We are not Paddy Ashdown's sheep and he will not move us against our will'

Leaders warned against wooing new-look Labour

BY ALICE THOMSON AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

PADDY Ashdown was given the clearest possible warning last night that grassroots Liberal Democrats will fight any move towards closer links with the Labour Party.

Activists arriving in Brighton yesterday for the party's annual conference voiced alarm that a year of unprecedented electoral success is in danger of being overshadowed by senior figures' flirtation with Tony Blair's new-look team. While the party leadership was embroiled in the debate over possible links with Labour, delegates were determined that the issue should not distract attention from their own achievements.

Activists protested that after making record gains from Labour in the May local elections the leadership had lost touch with the views of local workers. Those who fought Labour in May warned party leaders against being duped by apparent changes in Labour's position, and urged them to distance themselves from the issue of closer relations.

Jon Whitehouse, from the



National Youth Organisation, said, "We have gained over 400 local seats in the last year, won a by-election, two Euro-seats and our conference this year is the biggest yet. The last thing we should be doing is cosying up to Labour."

Mr Ashdown must not forget that Labour was a a broad church. "Tony Blair may be playing with a few ideas at the top but at the bottom there are still a lot of old-fashioned Labour members with views that are anathema to us."

Albert Catterall, from South London, said: "Paddy Ashdown must realise that locally Tony Blair is irrelevent to us. He has been stealing ideas from the Liberals' and Tories' less-interesting old manifestos and people will soon realise he is saying nothing new. There is no reason to slag Blair off like the Tories do but locally we are now by far the strongest force to be reckoned with."

Mr Ashdown was warned that his own position as leader would be jeopardised by attempts to push the party too quickly towards informal links with Labour. Lawrence Patterson, from Bedfordshire, said: "He should learn from previous leaders' experience that he can't take the party kicking and screaming. He can only go as far as the party will let him and he won't last if he tries to go his own way."

A fellow delegate, Jenny Davies, said: "We are not Paddy Ashdown's sheep. We are an independent-minded party and he will not move people against their will. He must stick to the party's radical principles and not be distracted by less important issues."

Some activists suggested a more abrasive rather than a more friendly relationship with Labour. "Labour fight dirty and we have got to do the same in areas where we want to win, rather than get closer to Labour," said John Pointon, from St Helens, Merseyside.

Conflicting national and local perceptions of Labour were spelt out by Keith Evans, from Llanelli. "Most middle-class families still won't trust Labour locally although nationally they might consider voting for Blair. We won't let Labour subsume us unless they all suddenly decide they want a written constitution, proportional representation and everything we have fought for over the years."

Stephanie Ripley, a county councillor in East Surrey, where the Liberal Democrats gained 19 seats last year, said: "I can't see a coalition working at national level with Labour. We believe in the power of the grassroots, the Labour Party believe in centralisation."

Rob Prowse, a councillor from Harrow where they gained 17 seats in this year's local elections said: "Paddy Ashdown must try to sit tight and say nothing for a bit. Blair's honeymoon will soon be over and people will realise all his talk of low taxation is just a ruse to get votes. Underneath Labour are still locked into state control and the trade unions. It's only a few like the confused Mr Blair who seem to be drifting into our territory."

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TONY WHITE

Mr Ashdown and his wife Jane on the pier at Brighton yesterday before the opening of the party conference

Kennedy demands action on reform

BY ALICE THOMSON
POLITICAL REPORTER

CHARLES Kennedy yesterday urged supporters of constitutional reform to act now to prevent Britain becoming stuck with outdated institutions that would be laughed at by the rest of Europe.

The outgoing president of the Liberal Democrats said that it was crucial for all parliamentary supporters of reform to begin plotting their tactics.

Speaking at the opening of the party conference, Mr Kennedy again put constitutional reform at the top of the agenda, despite criticism that it damaged the party at the last general election. But he skirted round the issue of the future of the monarchy, the subject of a debate tomorrow that has already embarrassed the leadership.

He warned the Liberal Democrats and the Labour Party that unless they made issues such as assemblies for Scotland and Wales and proportional representation their priority, they would have no chance of getting any Bills through in a future government. "If greater political thought and public persuasion is not pursued in the second half of this parliament, then any new administration embarking on a voyage of constitutional discovery is unlikely to make it to the new world."

Mr Kennedy pointed to the Maastricht Bill to show how difficult it was to get even a simple constitutional Bill through Parliament without it being ambushed by a small minority using techniques such as filibustering.

"They kept that Bill as short, simple and tightly drawn as they could. Yet the outcome? A government with what should have been a reasonable working majority ran into the sand.

"The Maastricht miasma was proof positive of the extent to which determined, sustained, co-ordinated parliamentary opposition to legislation of constitutional import can hijack any administration," he said.

Campbell's star shines on in eyes of party activists



Campbell: plays down leadership ambitions

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MENZIES Campbell returns today to the Brighton conference hall in which he was first recognised by many as a long-term prospect for the party leadership.

The party's defence spokesman rose to prominence at the 1989 Liberal Democrat conference by delivering a crucial speech to persuade party activists to reject calls for unilateral nuclear disarmanent. Defence may have waned as a key conference issue but Mr Campbell's rising influence will ensure that his address today will be listened to intently by activists who now see his elevation to the leadership as increasingly likely.

Although Mr Ashdown's position as leader is in no immediate danger, there are grassroots murmurings that his future will be determined by his ability to lead the party to a breakthrough at the next election.

Mr Campbell, MP for Fife North East, has taken over Sir David Steel's high-profile role as foreign affairs spokesman, which he will combine with his defence brief. The move will guarantee that he will become an increasingly familiar public figure, a crucial prerequisite to becoming leader. Many feel, however, that at 53 his age will count against him.

Although Mr Campbell's 1989 conference speech was significant in bolstering Mr Ashdown's authority, his relationship with the party leader has been soemwhat distant. His position at the head of the foreign affairs and defence team will bring him into close working relationship with Mr Ashdown. "I am sure we can work well together if Mr Ashdown shows sense and sensitivity," Mr Campbell tells colleagues.

His understated manner is in direct contrast with Mr Ashdown's ebulliance, and his sympathetic attitude to Labour has not always blended well with his leader's outlook. Although Mr Campbell plays down leadership ambitions, senior colleagues are less coy about his potential. "He is our greatest asset, bar none, and the only thing he lacks is public recognition," one Westminster admirer said.

Mr Campbell has long been a leading political figure in Scotland and doubters point to his trenchant Scottishness as a potential bar to the leadership. In seven years at Westminster, he has eschewed the Commons "wining and dining" circle, concentrating heavily on constituency work and Scottish party business.

His long-held links with Scottish Labour figures, in particular the late John Smith and Donald Dewar, the shadow Social Security Secretary, have attracted criticism. But as the two parties move onto a general election footing, it is likely that he will remain at the forefront of moves towards establishing closer ties.

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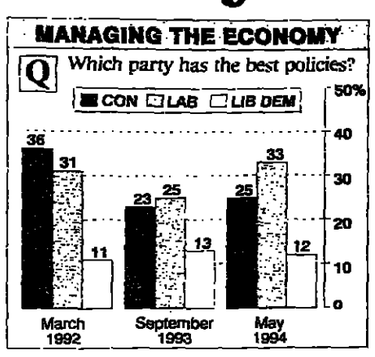
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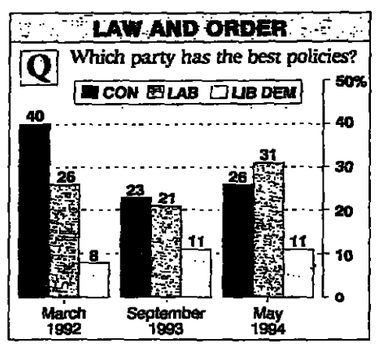
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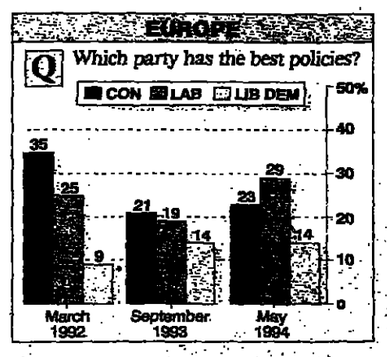
Tory defectors redefine state of the parties

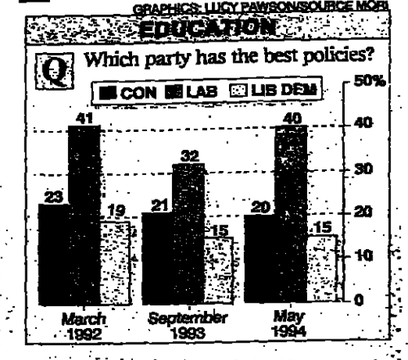




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As Tory support crumbles and the public's fear of Labour recedes, ***Peter Riddell*** looks at how the three main political parties line up





The Conservatives are now more unpopular with the public than any previous governing party in Britain after record desertions by their traditional middle-class supporters. The change has occurred in spite of growing evidence of economic recovery and a fall in unemployment.

It reflects deep doubts about the Government's competence after the humiliation of sterling's forced withdrawal from the European exchange-rate mechanism two years ago, widely dubbed Black Wednesday, and the recent, big tax increases. The public is also no longer frightened of Labour.

The accompanying graphs and tables, based on regular MORI polls for *The Times*, outline the state of public opinion at the start of the party conference season this autumn.

Since the Tories won a Commons majority of 21 at the April 1992 election, they have suffered sweeping electoral defeats and their poll ratings have plummeted. The Tories have lost the three by-elections in seats that they were defending, all to the Liberal Democrats: Newbury in May 1993, Christchurch in July 1993 and Eastleigh last June.

After making gains in the district elections a month after the general election, the Tories have lost ground badly in local elections since then. In the European elections on June 9, the Tories won only 18 out of 84 seats on the mainland of Britain, a drop of 14 on their total in the 1989 election. This was not as bad as some of the polls had suggested during the campaign, but it represented the party's worst national result since 1979. Labour won 62 seats, with the Liberal Democrats taking two for the first time, and the Scottish Nationalists doubling their representation, also to two seats.

The big change in the Government's popularity occurred after Black Wednesday. While voters had given the Government and Mr Major the benefit of the doubt until then, these events produced a big and, so far, lasting shift in attitudes. Tory support in the polls dropped below 40 per cent immediately afterwards, falling to below 30 per cent the next spring after the bitter public feuding in the party over the bill implementing the *Maastricht Treaty on Europe*. Tory support held at around 27 to 29 per cent from spring 1993 to spring 1994 before dropping to 23 to 24 per cent this summer.

The other main event since the election has been the death of John Smith. Anticipation of Tony Blair's election as leader boosted Labour's rating, and his election has dramatised changes in the public's view of the party. Labour has, at long last, largely thrown off its image as an extremist party dominated by trade unions.

Robert Worcester of MORI said: "The death of John Smith and the election of Tony Blair have removed the fear of Labour for the middle classes. Voters do not think of him coming from the Celtic fringe: this is factor in English consciousness."

A recent Gallup poll showed that Labour is regarded as the fashionable party by more than three-fifths of voters. The party is seen as moderate, with an attractive team of new, young leaders.

However, as a MORI poll showed when Mr Blair was elected, the changes in party policies have not removed public fears that income tax and inflation would rise under a Labour Government.

Nevertheless, the Tories have lost their traditional advantage as the party best able to run the economy. The MORI economic optimism index, which measures voters' views about the outlook for the next 12 months, fell sharply after Black Wednesday, then recovered during 1993 and 1994, but there has been a break in the previous correlation between changes in the index and the voting share of the governing party. The index was positive at the time of the Tory election victories in 1983, 1987 and 1992. The change in this relationship underlines the shift in the public's view of the Government's competence. Only 10 per cent of the public trust ministers to tell the truth.

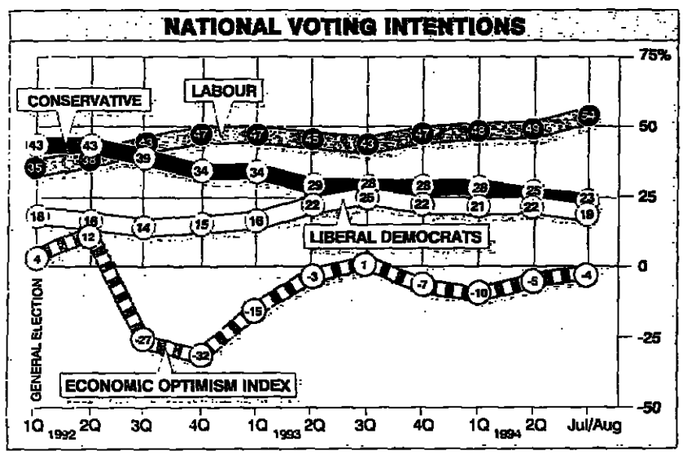
The accompanying tables, based on regular MORI polls, show how Labour has moved ahead of the Tories as the party with the best policies for managing the economy and Europe. In marked contrast with the 1980s, Labour is even in front as having the best policies on taxation after the sharp increases announced by Norman Lamont and Kenneth Clarke. The same is true on law and order. Indeed, Mr Blair's high profile campaign on the issue helped him become party leader.

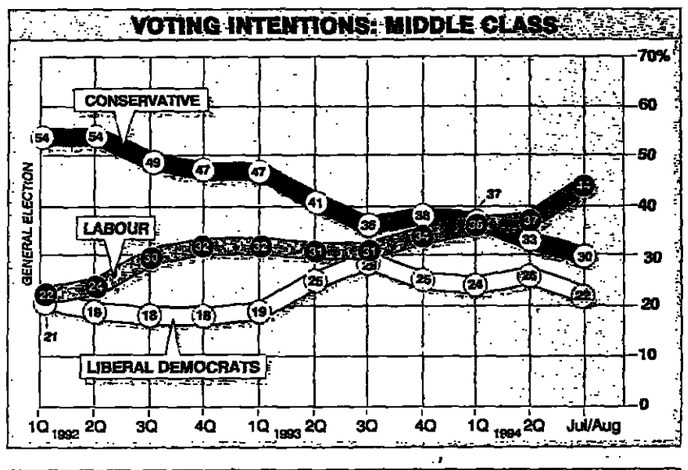
Disenchantment with the Tories has been most vividly reflected in the sharp drop in its support among middle-class voters, now just over two-fifths of the electorate. In the past, even when the Tories have been very unpopular nationally, as in the first half of 1990 because of the poll tax, they still held a 48-34 point margin over Labour among the middle-classes. Tory middle-class support is now little more than 30 per cent, with Labour on 44 per cent in recent months. This gap may well narrow, even be reversed, as the general election approaches, but the figures underline the extent of the Tories' problems.

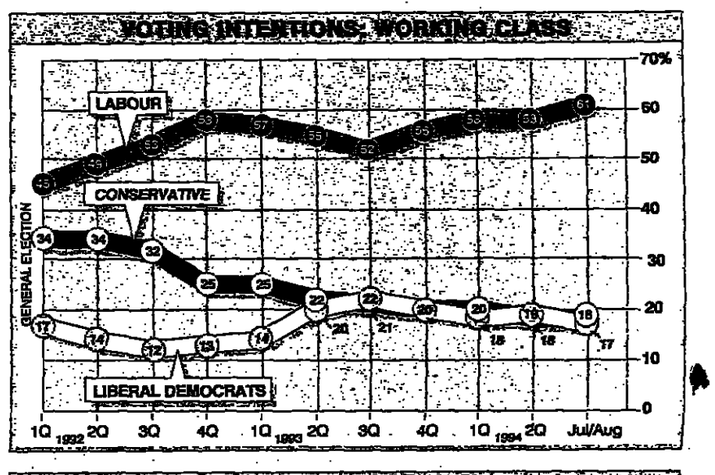
The shift has made the Tories extremely vulnerable in their southern heartlands, where support is now between 26 and 30 per cent, compared with at least 40 per cent during the worst months of 1990. This is the one area of the country where the Liberal Democrats have clearly gained since the 1992 general election, particularly in the Southwest. But the biggest beneficiary from the Tory collapse has been Labour, especially inside London and the M25 belt.

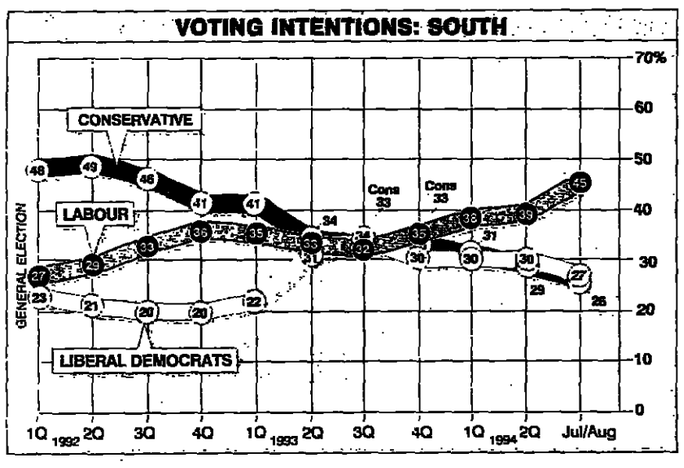
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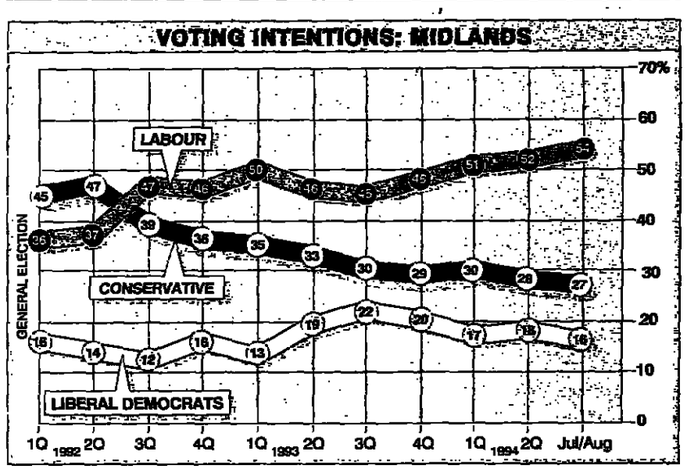
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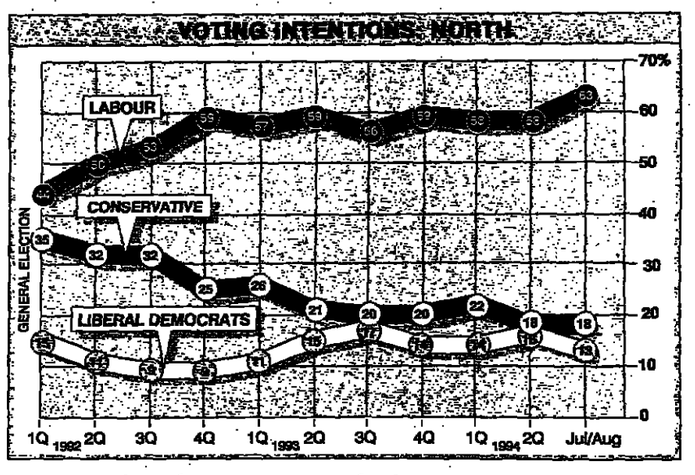












Why the public lost confidence in Major



JOHN Major has a lower approval rating with the public than any previous Prime Minister since regular polling began in the 1940s, and even the reduced band of Tory supporters is evenly split about how he is doing his job.

After he first entered 10 Downing Street in November 1990 and until after the April 1992 election, the public had a generally favourable view of Mr Major's performance. He was seen as a capable leader, good in a crisis and understanding the problems of Britain and the world, while few people saw him as narrow minded or inflexible.

However that changed dramatically after the political and economic upheavals of two years ago when sterling was forced out of the EMS. His approval rating immediately plummetted, slipped further during the Maastricht disputes of summer 1993 and has remained near a record low level ever since. Whereas more than half the public had been satisfied with the way he was doing his job in his first 20 months, only about a fifth have been over the past two years.

The proportion satisfied with his performance hit a record low of 17 per cent last month with fewer than half of Tories taking a favourable view. The Black Wednesday debacle appears fundamentally to have changed voters' views. The proportion regarding him as a capable leader has fallen from 40 per cent in 1991 to barely 10 per cent, while the number seeing him as good in a crisis has declined from 30 per cent to 7 per cent, according to MORI. There has been a similarly sharp drop in the number believing he has sound judgment. Mr Major also comes out unfavourably on measures such as handling the economy and understanding Britain's problems.

Blair reaches beyond Labour strongholds



TONY Blair enjoyed a big boost in the polls even before he was elected Labour leader two months ago. But in spite of this pre-marriage honeymoon, many voters have not yet made up their minds. All new party leaders generally win a positive initial rating because of their freshness and often-favourable early media coverage. It is only when they start making controversial and partisan statements that they lose public support.

As MORI's *British Public Opinion has pointed out*, Mr Blair's late-August satisfaction rating of 34 per cent was similar to that of John Smith (30 per cent), Neil Kinnock (33 per cent) and John Major (37 per cent).

Moreover, half of those interviewed this August then did not know whether or not they were satisfied with the job he was doing as Labour leader, compared with barely 7 per cent who had no opinion either way on John Major and 27 per cent who were agnostic about Paddy Ashdown. This is hardly surprising given Mr Blair's newness to the job.

However, the prospect of Mr Blair becoming leader was favourably received. It helped to give a further boost to Labour's ratings, particularly among the middle classes in the South and previous Liberal Democrat supporters. He appeared to reach out beyond the traditional Labour strongholds.

According to a Gallup poll just before he was elected leader, Mr Blair was well ahead of Mr Major on measures such as being concerned for the whole country, effective, competent, decisive, trusted and, above all, looking a winner. Like the other findings, this is inevitably tentative but it underlines his appeal at a time of disenchantment with the Government.

Ashdown shines over a party in decline

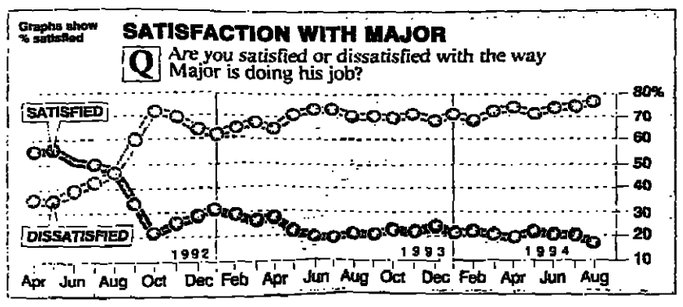


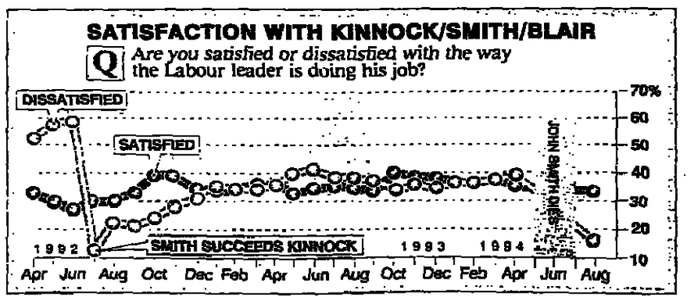
PADDY Ashdown has been the most highly rated of the party leaders for more than two years since John Major's popularity began to drop sharply. Voter satisfaction with the way he is doing his job as leader of the Liberal Democrats has been barely affected by the decline in support for his party since the late spring.

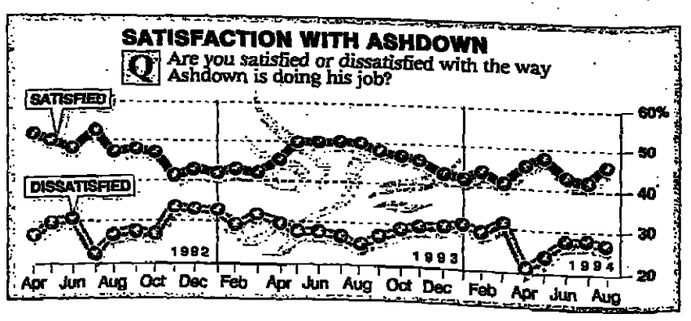
All third-party leaders tend to be rated more highly than Tory or Labour leaders. This is partly because they provoke less partisan opposition from supporters of other parties. During the 1980s, David Steel and David Owen usually had strongly positive approval ratings and, for most of the time, were well ahead not only of Neil Kinnock but also of Margaret Thatcher.

When he became Liberal Democrat leader six years ago, after the confused and divisive merger, Mr Ashdown's rating was negative for more than two years while his party remained in the doldrums. However, his rating started to improve from autumn 1990 after the party's run of by-election successes started in Eastbourne and continued the following year in Ribble Valley, Kincardine and Deeside. Mr Ashdown also raised his profile during the Gulf War and later over the Bosnian conflict.

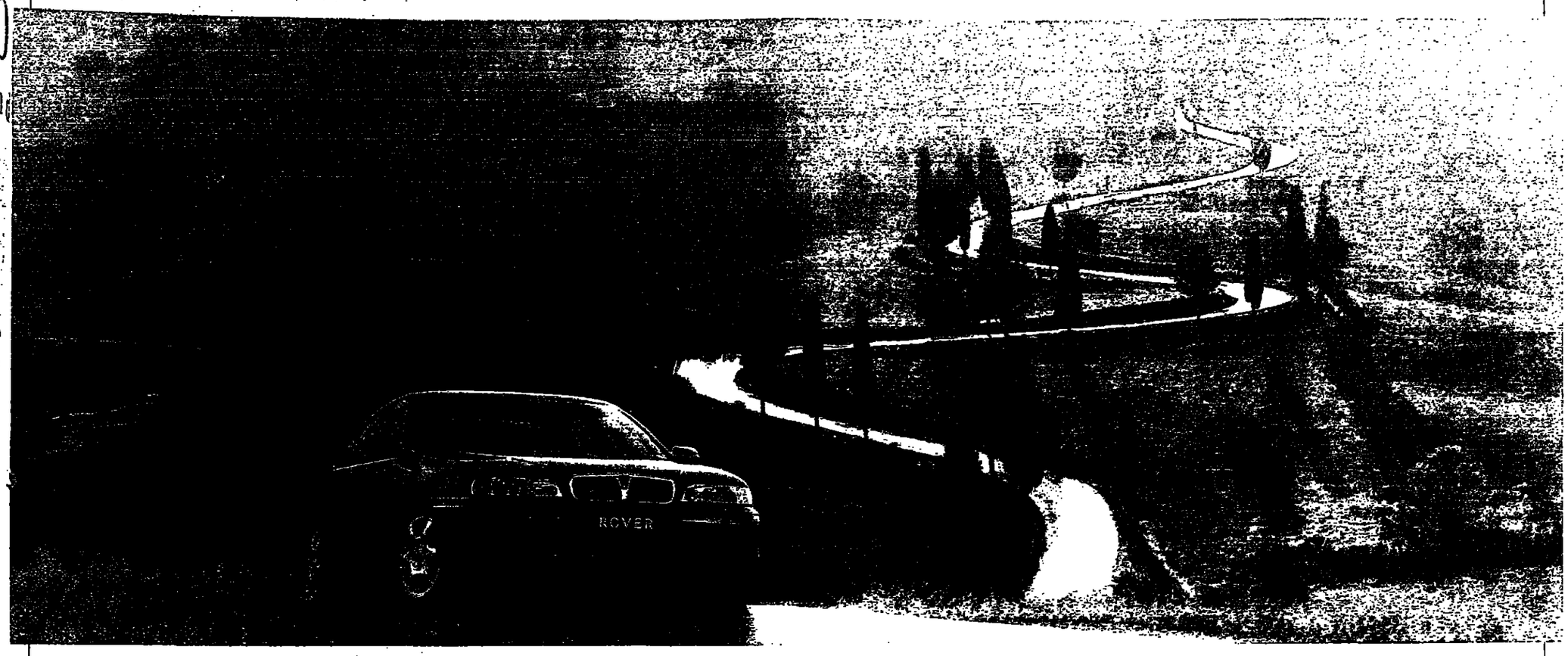
His rating has been strongly positive ever since. The proportion of voters regarding him as a capable leader has risen from 7 to 23 per cent, and more honest than most politicians from 10 to 25 per cent, according to the regular MORI polls. He is also seen as down to earth and as having a lot of personality. Liberal Democrat voters approve of his performance by a margin of eight to one, a far more favourable margin than the supporters of either other party have of their respective leaders.







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UEA: G500 (16), G502 (18), G510 (16), G1G5 (12), GG51 (12)
Ulster: G510, G545, NN59 (16)
UMIST: G510 (16), G560 (16), GR51 (12), GR52 (12), Q112 (12), QR11 (12), QR12 (12)
Wales, Aberystwyth: G500 (14), GN54 (18), GG15 (14), GGC5 (14), GGD5 (14), GG45 (14), G5T9 (16)
Wales, Bangor: H6N1
Wales, Swansea: G500 (16), G501 (12)
West of England: G450, G501, G500, G534
Wolverhampton: G501

CONSERVATION
East London: C901
Guildhall: J570
Kingston: F970 (8)
London, Wye Coll: F900 (14), D255 (14)
Scarborough: CD12, DR27, FD82
Sussex: C901 (18)
York: C900 (16)

DECISION SCIENCE
Hertfordshire: GN42

DRUG DESIGN
Hull: F130 (12)

EARTH SCIENCE AND STUDIES
Anglia: F920
Greenwich: F925
Kingston: F920 (6)
Liverpool John Moores: F920
Wales, Aberystwyth: F910 (14)
West London Inst: F9W1, F9N1, FQ94, F9G5, FW94

ECOLOGY
Anglia: F940, FF19
Bath Coll: N750
East London: C910
Greenwich: C999
Huddersfield: F901
Liverpool John Moores: C910
London, Imperial: C900 (20)
London, QMW: C900 (12)
Middlesex: F940
Nescot: C120
North London: F940, Y100
Sussex: C901 (18)
York: C900 (16)

EDUCATION (SCIENCE)
Brighton: X971, XF79
Coventry: C100
Hull: F1E1 (12)
Kingston: EY21, EY61
Leeds, Bretton Hall: EF29, EF59, EW29, EW59
Leeds Metro: EW72, XG7F
Liverpool John Moores: E7C1, E7F1, E7F3, E7N7, E7W2, EW72, EX72
Manchester Metro: EW72
NE Wales Inst: E7N1
Sheffield Hallam: EF71, EG51, EY71
Scarborough: EC41, EC21, EG41, EG21
York: C1X3, G1X3, F3X3

ENERGY STUDIES
Brighton: Y100, JN91
City: HJ39 (12)
Glamorgan: FG99

ENTOMOLOGY
London, Imperial: C345 (20)

ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY
Bath Coll: Y400
Hull: C160 (14)
Norwich, City Coll: C160 (6)
Oxford, Brookes: FG94, CF19, FF89, FN97, FF19, FG95, FL91, FH92, FT99, FR92, FV91, FG9M, FN9N, FG91, FW93, FF89, FF39, FK94, FP95, FN95
London, Wye Coll: F930 (12), C160 (12)
South Bank: C160
Strathclyde: F900 (18)

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
Cardiff Inst: F910 (10)
Cranfield, Silsoe: N802 (14)
Humberside: D499R
London, Wye Coll: F900 (14), D255 (14)
Luton: F910
Sheffield Hallam: H250
Worcester CHE: N800
York: C491 (16)

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES/ SCIENCE
Abertay Dundee: F900
Anglia: F901
Askham Bryan Coll: N800
Bolton Inst: CF19, FG91, FG95, FV97, FW99, FV91
Bournemouth: F938 (16)
Brighton: F901
Buckingham: MC39 (12)
Canterbury, Christ Church Coll: F901, F900
Central England: K440, K4F9, K4K4, K4K3, K4L3, K4N9, K4W2
Central Lancs: F910, F9D2
Colchester Inst: F900
Coventry: F199, F9T2, F900
Cranfield, Silsoe: N1F9 (14), N802 (12)
De Montfort: F910
Derby: F900, F910, Y600, HF19
Dundee: F900 (12), FF39 (12)
East London: FV91
Edinburgh: F140 (16), F630 (18), V670 (18)
Essex: C160 (8), F160 (6), C161
Farnborough Coll: F910
Glamorgan: F900, FL93
Glasgow Caledonian: F900
Greenwich: C160, C168, F199, K340, F925, B900, F918
Hertfordshire: F9F5, F9N1, F9F1, F9H6, F9T2, F9F6, F9B1, F9H7, F9G1, F9V7, F9F3, F9G4, F140, F148, F910, F918, F5F9, N1F9, F1F9, H6F9, T2F9, F6F9, B1F9, H7F9, G1F9, V7F9, F3F9, G4F9
Huddersfield: F901, F910
Humberside: F900 (12)
Kingston: F900 (8), F970 (8), F630 (6)
Leeds: F900 (22), F904 (16), F902 (18)
Leeds, Bretton Hall: EF29, EF59
Liverpool John Moores: F900, F1F9, F910, FN91
London, King's Coll: C1F9 (22), F910 (22), B900 (16)
London, QMW: F900 (16)
London, Wye Coll: F930 (12), F900 (14)
Luton: Y400, F900, F901
Manchester Metro: CF19, B900, F900, F910C, F910, F901, F907, CF19
Middlesex: F9Y1, B900, F900, F908, FNX1, F950, J958, Y400
NE Wales Inst: F900
North London: FF19
Napier: C160, F374
Nescot: F918, K241
Nene: Y4C1, F910
Newcastle: D242 (8), H255 (12), H256 (18), D202 (14)
Nottingham Trent: GF59, F901, FF19, FF39, FGX5, FGXM
Paisley: F900
Robert Gordon: F900
Salford: F140 (10), F922 (16)
Scarborough: F9W4, F9W1, F9W3, F9WK, F9G9, F9L3, F9Q3, F9V1, F9V8, W4F9, W1F9, W3Y1, V8F9
Sheffield Hallam: CF99, FF19, FF39
St Mary's Coll: F900
Staffordshire: F920, C160, F148, F901, CF19, FF19, FF39
Stockton: L1F9 (6), F900 (6), F9H2 (6)
Strathclyde: CH92 (12)
Surrey: C540
Sussex: F900, F9R1, F9R2, F9R3, F9R4
UEA: G1F9 (12)
UMIST: H875, H2N8, F353, F354, F3P9, F3FY
West London Inst: LQ84, L8W1, L8W5, LW84, L8N1, L8G5, FL68, LV81, LX88, LW83, LV88, LX8Y
Westminster: F910, FN91, F900
West of England: B900
Wolverhampton: Y600, F900, K3F9
York: C900 (16)

FOOD SCIENCE/ STUDIES
Anglia: BC41, N700
Bath Coll: D450
Bournemouth: N721, D400
Brighton: ND14
Cardiff Inst: D400 (10)
Cranfield, Silsoe: N5D4 (12)
Greenwich: B400
Humberside: D400 (10), D421 (10), D401 (10), D4N1 (10), B400 (10), D499R
Huddersfield: DB44, ND74
Manchester Metro: D421, D4N1
Leeds: D400 (8)
Leeds Metro: BD44
Liverpool John Moores: D4L5
North London: BC41, N700, Y100
Newcastle: D420 (10)
Plymouth: D202, D400, D203
QMC, Edinburgh: D420, D4N5, D401
Robert Gordon: D4N1
Scottish Agricultural Coll: DN28, DN21
South Bank: D400, N781
Strathclyde: DC45 (18)
Surrey: CD54, B400, BD44
Thames Valley: N799

FORESTRY/FOREST STUDIES
Wales, Bangor: D300 (10), D322 (10)

GENETICS
Dundee: C420 (12)
Leeds: C400 (18)
London, King's Coll: C400 (22)
London, QMW: C400 (12), C4C5 (12)
Newcastle: C400 (18)
York: C400 (16)

GEOGRAPHY
Bath Coll: Y400
Brighton: Y100
Central Lancs: FL88
Coventry: FL18, CL18, F800, LF83, LL18, LG58, RL18, LR82, LK84, LM81, G562, GL18, GL48
Greenwich: FG85, F800
Huddersfield: L800
Kingston: GL58 (10), L800 (12), F800 (12), FF81 (6), FG85 (6), FL81 (6), FR81 (6), FF86 (6), FG81 (6), FG84 (6), CF18 (6)
London, Guildhall: F899, L800, Y400
London, RH: F800 (20), FF68 (20)
LSU, Southampton: C1L8, G5L8, L8G1
Luton: F800, Y400
Nene Coll: L800
Portsmouth: FF18, F8R2, F800, F808, F8X9, FF68
Salford: GF18 (14), FL11 (12)
Scarborough: FD82
Sussex: F800 (16)
West London Inst: LQ84, LW84, LQ83, L8W5, L8G5, L8N1, L8W1
Wolverhampton: F840

GEOLOGY
Anglia: F600
Derby: F600, Y600
Durham: F600 (14)
Edinburgh: F600 (18)
Exeter: F605 (4)
Greenwich: F600
Hertfordshire: F6F5, F6N1, F6F1, F6G5, F6L1, F6H6, F6F9, F6T2, F6B1, F6N2, F6V7, F6F3, F6G4, F5F6, N1F6, F1F6, G5F6, L1F6, H6F6, T2F6, B1F6, N2F6, F3F6, G4F6, F9F6, V7F6
Keele: FF56, CF16, FF16, FG65, FH66, FF6C, EF36, FR61
Kingston: F600 (6), FG65 (6), FL61 (6), FR61 (6), FR61 (6), FF63 (4), FF86 (6), F615 (6), F630 (6)
Leicester: F600 (12), F610 (12)
London, QMW: FF69 (10)
London, UCL: F500 (16), F600, F630, F650, F660, F654
Luton: F600, Y400
Plymouth: D203
Portsmouth: FF16, F6R2, F6R1, FG64, F6X9, F600, F608, FF68, FG61, FF36, FG65
Staffordshire: F600, FL68, FG64, CF16, FJ63, FF16, GF56, FM66, FFG3
Sunderland: FF16 (8), CF16 (8), FR62 (8), F611 (4), F699 (4)
Wales, Aberystwyth: F600 (14)
West London Inst: FQ64, F6W1, F6N1, F6G5, FW64, FQ63, F6W5, FL68, FV61, FX68, FW63, FV68, FX6V

GEOPHYSICS
Leicester: F640 (12)
London, UCL: F660 (16), F650 (16)
Newcastle: F650

GEOSCIENCE
Edinburgh: F630 (18)
Greenwich: F670
Leicester: F670 (12)
London, UCL: F630 (16)
Oxford, Brookes: GH42, CH12, FH82, HN27, FH12, GH52, GH92, HL21, FH92, HT29, HR22, HV21, GHM2, HN2N, GH12, HH26, HW23, FHH2, FH32, HK24, HM21, HP25, HN25
Staffordshire: F920

HEALTH SCIENCE AND STUDIES
Bournemouth: B991
Cardiff Inst: H6B8 (10)
Central Lancs: B990 (12)
Coventry: L531
De Montfort: B991
Derby: B995
Greenwich: B900
Gwent Coll: B999
London, UCL: B986
Luton: Y400
North London: B990
Napier: L450
Manchester Metro: B991
Middlesex: Y400
QMC, Edinburgh: B990
Stockton: B991 (8)
Sunderland: B990 (12)

HISTORY OF SCIENCE
London, UCL: V300 (16)

HORTICULTURE
Central Lancs: D252
Greenwich: D250
Hertfordshire: D250, D258
London, Wye Coll: D2NC (12), D250 (12)
Scottish Agricultural Coll: D250, D2N9
Strathclyde: D250 (8), D2N9 (8)

HUMAN BIOLOGY
Aston: C112 (16)
Hertfordshire: B1F5, F1F1, B1G5, B1L1, B1H6, B1F9, B1T2, B1F6, B1H7, B1G1, B1N2, B1V7, B1G4, F9B1, T2B1, F6B1, H7B1, N2B1, V7B1, G4B1, G1B1
London, King's Coll: B150 (22)

HUMAN SCIENCE
Bournemouth: CG86
East London: C921
Norwich, City Coll: C980 (6)
Sussex: Y400 (20)
Stockton: B991 (8), Y400 (8)

IMMUNOLOGY
East London: C920
London, King's Coll: C920 (22), CC79 (22), CC69 (22)
London, UCL: C920 (18)
Nescot: C120
Strathclyde: C892 (18), CC59 (18)

INFORMATION SCIENCE
North London: G560, Y100
Portsmouth: G599
Teesside: G520
UEA: GN54 (18)
Wales, Aberystwyth: G520 (16)

INSTRUMENTATION
Brunel: F352, F355
Coventry: B899
Glasgow Caledonian: F1G5, F310
Manchester Metro: GH16, FH36, GHC6, FH16, H680, HH67, FH26, HF63, HL63
Middlesex: Y400
Gwent Coll: H642

MARINE STUDIES
Liverpool John Moores: J600, N960
Plymouth: C170
Southampton Inst: N960
Wales, Bangor: F140 (8), C170 (16)

MATERIALS SCIENCE
Abertay Dundee: F110
Bath: J500 (14)
Coventry: F200, FF12, FG21, FF23
Hull: F166 (12)
Leeds: J500 (12)
Liverpool: F200 (12), J200 (12), J520 (8), FF12 (12), FF23 (12), FG21 (12)
London, Imperial: JF52 (12), JF5F (16), J525 (12)
London, UCL: F1F2 (20)
Loughborough: J5N1 (12)
Manchester Metro: F200, F208, FF23, CF12, FF12, GFC2, FG25, FL21, FT29, FH27, FF32, FH26, FL23
Sheffield: J200 (12), J500 (12)
UMIST: J2B9 (10)

MATHEMATICS
Abertay Dundee: FG11, CG61, FG31
Aston: CG11 (24), FG11 (24), GG15 (24), GL14 (24), GM1C (24), GM11 (24), GR11 (24)
Anglia: G100
Bath: G100 (20)
Bolton: CG11, FG91, G100, GG15, GK14, GN11, GW19, LG61, GN14, GQ13, GV11, GV17, MG91, TG21
Bradford: G100, GG14, G1N1, G1V7
Brighton: Y100
Brunel: G100 (12), G103 (12), G104 (12), G1H1 (12), G1HC (12), G1HD (12)
Canterbury, Christ Church Coll: LG31, WG11, WG31, CG51, GY1C, GL13, GW11, GG15, GW13, GY11
Central Lancs: G100 (8), G101 (8), G140 (8)
City: G100 (12), G1F3 (12), G1L1 (12)
Coventry: FG11, CF13, LG11, GL18, CG11, EG21, RG11, G101, G100, FG21, GG1M
De Montfort: G100, G150
Derby: Y600
Dundee: GN14 (12), G100 (12), GL11 (12), FG31 (12), G101 (10), GG51 (12)
Durham: G100 (20)
East London: GV91
Edinburgh: G100 (18)
Essex: C101 (4), G100 (80), GR11 (8), GW13 (8), G150 (8)
Exeter: G100 (16), G107 (16), G130 (16), CGD4 (16)
Glamorgan: G100, GG5M, YG31
Glasgow Caledonian: G1TX, G1T9
Greenwich: EG71
Heriot-Watt: G100 (14), G102 (12)
Hertfordshire: F5G1, N1G1, F1G1, GG15, G5G1, L1G1, H6G1, F9G1, T2G1, B1G1, G100, G1F5, G1N1, G1F1, G1G5, G1L1, G1H6, G1F9, G1T2, G1B1, G1N2, G1V7, G1F3, N2G1, F3G1, V7G1
Hull: GG15 (12), G100 (14), G120
Keele: GN11, FG51, CG11, FGC1, FG31, GR11, GR12, FF11, GG15, GH16
Kent: G100 (14)
King Alfred's Coll: Y400 (8)
Kingston: FG31, GG15, GR11, GG14, G100, FG81
Leeds: H3G1 (18), G150 (12), G100 (14)
Leeds Metro: XG75
Leicester: G100 (16), G101 (20), G103 (20), G1F5 (16), G1FM (20)
Liverpool: G100 (12), G106 (12), G150 (12), G151 (12), G156 (12), G176 (12), G400 (12), G1F3 (12), G1N1 (12), G1XC (12), GG14 (12), GG15 (12), FG21 (12), F6G1 (12)
London, Goldsmiths: G140, GJ41, G147, CG81, E2G1, G1GM
London, Guildhall: Y400
London, King's Coll: GX11 (8), GN11 (18), FG31 (16), FG11 (18), G100 (18), G1V5 (18)
London, QMW: FG11 (8), FG31 (12), FG51 (12), G100 (8), G102 (14), G110 (12), G120 (12), G1FM (14), G1T2 (14), GF15 (12), GR18 (18), GRD8 (18)
London, RH: G100 (16), G1N1 (16), GF13 (16)
London, UCL: F1G1 (20), G107 (22), G1N1 (22), G100 (22), G1T2 (22), G1F3 (22), GF15 (22), GF13 (22)
Loughborough: G100 (16), GG15 (16), G1L1 (16), FG31 (16)
Manchester Metro: G110, G108, FG31, CG11, G140, FG11, GG15, GL11, GT19, GH17, FGH1, GJ14, GH16, GL13, FG31, FG3C, CG11, CG1C, EG71, EG7C, EG71C
Middlesex: G158, G150, G1NC, G1N1
North London: G100, G116, G150, Y100, 009G, GG5C
Napier: GN13, G140, GH11
Newcastle: G110 (16), G120 (16), G150 (12), G151 (10), G100 (16), GL11 (16)
Northumbria: G100, G108
Nottingham Trent: G1G5 (6), CG11 (4), FG11 (4), GG15 (4), FG31 (4), GG51 (4), E7G1
Oxford, Brookes: GG14, CG11, FG81, GN17, FG11, GG15, GG19, GL11, FG91, GH12, GT19, GV11, GG1M, GG1N, GH16, GW13, FGH1, FG31, GK14, GM11, GP15, GN15
Paisley: GG15, G150
Plymouth: G100, G150
Portsmouth: FG11, G199, G198, G1X9, G150, G158, GG14, G900, G908, G100, G108, G1B2, G1R1, FG61
Salford: G100 (14), G101 (14), FG11 (10), GF13 (12), GF18 (14), CG91 (12), GL11 (12), GG15 (12)
Sheffield: G100 (18), NG11 (18), NG4D (18)
Sheffield Hallam: EG51, EY71
South Bank: GN11, GN14
St Mary's: FG11 (4), GQ18 (4), GW14 (12), GF18 (4), GL13 (4), GV18 (4)
Strathclyde: G100 (11), G150 (11), G1L1 (11), G1T9 (11)
Sunderland: FG11 (8)
Surrey: G101, G102, G105
Sussex: GG51 (10), GG15 (10), GL11 (10), GF13 (10), G406 (10), G100 (10), G140 (10)
Teesside: G100
UEA: FG31 (12), G100 (12), G103 (14), G1L1 (12), G1V7 (12), G1N1 (12), G101 (12), G1F9 (12)
UMIST: G100, G1F5, G1R4, GN11, GRD1, GRD2
Wales, Aberystwyth: GG15 (14), GGC5 (14), GGD5 (14), G100 (14), G120 (14), GL11 (12), GN14 (14), G102 (4)
Wales, Bangor: G100 (10)
Wales, Cardiff: FG3C (12), G100 (12), G110 (12), G111 (12)
Westminster: G100
Worcester CHE: GG15 (4)
York: G100 (12), G1L1 (12), G1X3 (12), G1Q1 (12), G1F3 (12), GF13 (12), G101 (12)

MATHEMATICS FOR BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT
Brighton: G100
Dundee: GL11 (12)
Essex: G4L1 (8), GN13 (16)
Glamorgan: G1T2, GN11
Hertfordshire: G1N1
London, King's Coll: GN11 (18)
London, QMW: G150 (8), G1N1 (8)
London, UCL: G1L1 (24), G1N1 (22)
Loughborough: G1L1 (16)
Manchester Metro: G140, GL11, FG3C, CG1C, CGC5, GLC1, GHCP, G7C2, GTC9, GFC2, FGHC, GJC4, GHC6, GLC3
North London: G710
Portsmouth: G199, G198
Salford: GL11
South Bank: GN14, GN11
Strathclyde: G1L1 (11)
Surrey: G1NC, G1N1

MATHEMATICS WITH COMPUTING
Abertay Dundee: GG51, G1G5
Brighton: G170
Brunel: G1G5 (12), G1GM (12), G1GN (12), GG5G (14)
Buckingham: G5G1
Coventry: GG15, GG1M
City: G1G5 (12)
Dundee: GG15 (12)
Essex: GG15 (8)
Glamorgan: GG15
Greenwich: G5G1
Hull: GG15 (12)
Leicester: GG15 (16), GG1M (20)
London, Goldsmiths: G1G5, GG15, G1GM, GG1M, GG45
London, King's Coll: GG1N (18), GG15 (18)
London, QMW: GG51 (18), GG15 (18)
London, UCL: GG15 (24)
Loughborough: GG51 (16)
LSU: C1G1, G5G1, L8G1
Manchester Metro: GG15
Oxford, Brookes: GG49, FG89, GN97, FG19, GG59, GL91, GH92, GT99, GR92, GV91, GGN9, GNGN, GG19, GH96, GW93, FGH9, FG39, GK94, GM91, GP95, GN95
Paisley: GG15
Portsmouth: G900, G908
Salford: GG15
Sheffield Hallam: GN51, G5G1
Staffordshire: G900
Surrey: GG1M, GG15
Teesside: H109, G110, GG15
UEA: G1G5 (12), GG51 (12)
UMIST: GG15
Wales, Bangor: G1G6 (10)
Westminster: CG15

MATHEMATICS WITH STATISTICS
Anglia: G1G4
Brighton: Y100
Brunel: GG41 (12), GG4D (12), GG4C (12)
Cardiff Inst: C980 (10)
Coventry: GG14
City: G194 (12), G402 (18)
Edinburgh: GG14 (18)
Essex: GG14 (8)
Exeter: G434 (16)
Kingston: GG14
Heriot-Watt: G1G4 (20)
Hertfordshire: G1G4, G4G1
London, Goldsmiths: G1G4, GG14, GG41, G1GK
London, QMW: G1G4 (14), GG41 (12)
London, UCL: GG14 (22)
Newcastle: GG1L (14), GG1K (14), GG14 (14)
Surrey: GG1K, GG1L
UEA: G1G4 (12)
UMIST: G434

MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND MANAGEMENT
Brunel: N1G1 (16), N1GC (16), G1N1 (12), G1NC (12), G1ND (12), GN11 (12), GN1C (12), GN1D (12)

MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND COMPUTING
Coventry: G900
Derby: G900
East London: G900
Greenwich: G900
Liverpool, John Moores: G900
London, Goldsmiths: GG45
Ulster: G900 (16), G902 (12)
UWE: G900

MEDICAL AND LABORATORY SCIENCE
Anglia: B940, BR92
Bournemouth: BH96
Brunel: F120, F121, F122
Coventry: B899
East London: C620, C720
Hertfordshire: B800, B808
Huddersfield: F1B3
Hull: F370
Keele: CF7C, CF1C, FF5C, C930, FFC3, FRC2, FGC5, FHC6, FF6C
Kingston: F199
Liverpool, John Moores: C999
London, King's: C720 (22), Y156 (22), F370 (14)
London UCL: F370 (20), F391 (20)
Loughborough: F126 (14)
N E Wales Inst: F370
Northumbria: F1C9
Sheffield: F370 (14)
Surrey: F370
Sussex: F120
UMIST: J2B9 (10)
Wolverhampton: Y600, B920

METALLURGY
Greenwich: JJ25
Surrey: J201, J204, J200

MICROBIOLOGY
Dundee: C500 (12)
East London: C500, CQ53
Heriot-Watt: C500
Liverpool: C500 (18), C578 (18)
Liverpool, John Moores: C540
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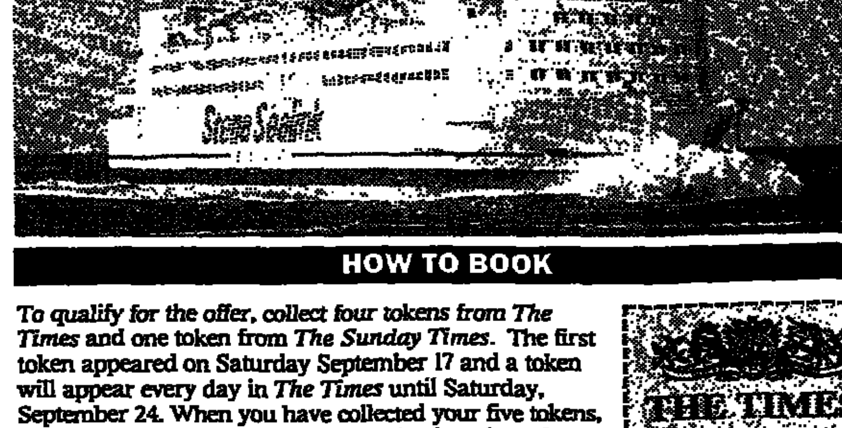
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Carey homily challenges China's view on religion

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY, EAST ASIA EDITOR

GEORGE Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, will today deliver a discreetly subversive sermon in Peking which, if he were Chinese, might land him in jail.

In the last paragraph of his sermon, to be delivered to hundreds of people at the Chong Wen Men Church in the Chinese capital, Dr Carey will speak of Satan fearing the Church as "spread out through all time and all space and rooted in eternity, terrible as an army with banners".

This homily directly contradicts the Chinese Communist Party's view: its Document 19 of 1982 states that "religion will eventually disappear from human history ... through the long-term development of socialism and communism, when all objective requirements are met".

Dr Carey, in contrast, emphasises that the Church "is never merely a human institution. It has been created by God himself — we are His Church — and woe betide us if we lose sight of that fact". In addition, he says that "in Christ, we are all are equal, and the Church's commitments encompass the whole of society, not just those with religious inclinations".

On this issue, the party document is explicit: "The policy of freedom of religious belief is not applicable to party members ... A Communist Party member cannot be a religious believer".

Although the party constantly warns against individualism, materialism and corruption, it can hardly agree with Dr Carey who also blames "individualism and relativism" for eroding common values. He urges Christians to "bring the Gospel into our civic culture", and not to be "ashamed of being committed to China as your nation".

Here too, the party line is clear, stating that "all those responsible for religious work ... should keep the religious policy of the party on the scientific course laid out for it by Marxism-Leninism and Mao Tse-tung thought".

So far in his Chinese tour, the Archbishop has drawn criticism from British politicians for highlighting the evils of Western consumerism rather than the injustices of Chinese communism. Lambeth Palace officials said, however, that he had simply made general points about the negative aspects of rapid industrialisation, in China and the West, and was conscious of Chinese human rights cases.

☐ **Death penalty:** China has sentenced Gu Jiesha, the head of the capital's biggest pornography network, to death. Since 1992, his gang has earned more than £301,000from printing 833,000 illegal books and magazines. *(Reuter)*

Colony holds first election

Hong Kong: In what was the first election to be held under the new Hong Kong constitutional regulations, brought into force by Chris Patten, the Governor, the electorate yesterday voted for a government body (Jonathan Mirsky writes).

In record numbers they elected 296 members of the district boards, the lowest tier of government; 50 more seats were returned unopposed. Those elected will serve only slightly more than half the four-year term, however, as Peking, angered by the new constitution, is committed to dismantling the system in 1997.



Heather Whitestone, Miss Alabama, who is deaf, being told by Cullen Johnson, Miss Virginia, right, that she has been chosen as Miss America 1995 (James Bone writes from New York). Miss Whitestone, 21, a dancer, is the first disabled woman to win the title. She lost most of her hearing after a reaction to a diphtheria-tetanus innoculation when she was 18-months-old. In the talent section of the contest in Atlantic City on Saturday, she enchanted the judges by performing a short ballet to the song "Via Dolorosa" even though she could barely hear the music and had to count time in her head. Miss Whitestone has studied accountancy but now wants to become a dance teacher.

Deaf woman wins contest

Christian Right tries the gentle touch

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

LEADERS of America's forceful religious Right, taking their cue from an old George Bush campaign theme, want to present a kinder, gentler face to the electorate.

A convention of 3,000 grassroots conservatives from the Christian Coalition ended in Washington yesterday with warnings of the need for a distinct softening of tone towards abortion, and even homosexuality, while still affirming the strongest commitment to beliefs that fit under the umbrella of family values.

Phyllis Schlafly, a leading abortion opponent, caught many by surprise with her call for revised anti-abortion language in the Republican manifesto. She would continue to uphold the right to life of an unborn child, but no longer insist on a constitutional amendment making abortion illegal. When Dan Quayle, the strongly pro-life former Vice-President, was pressed for his views on women who have abortions, he said: "That's their choice." He gave the same answer when asked about homosexuals.

William Bennett, the Bush Administration's drugs "czar" and now a keeper of the conservatives' conscience, asserted that despite his aversion to homosexuality, divorce had caused incomparably more damage to the children of America than the gay-rights movement. Hints of appeasement have been forced on the religious Right by a realisation that to move beyond the fringe they must nurture middle-of-the-road voters with a less extremist image. This message was brought home to them plainly last week in Minnesota where their candidate, Allen Quist, lost his primary challenge to the sitting Republican governor, Arne Carlson.

Earlier, Mr Quist's supporters had flooded ward meetings to deny Mr Carlson the party's endorsement because he supports abortion and gay rights. But Mr Quist's astringent views did not resonate at the ballot box, especially his opinion that men by nature should be head of the family. He was defeated by a 2-1 margin.

Major starts 'historic' journey to Cape Town

BY PHILIP WEBSTER POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN Major flew to Jeddah yesterday at the start of a five-day visit to the Middle East and South Africa aimed at boosting export trade and forging a fresh partnership between Britain and Pretoria.

The Prime Minister, who was accompanied by a large team of businessmen, scientists and sportsmen, was having brief stopovers in Saudi Arabia and Abu Dhabi before moving on tonight to Cape Town for the first visit of a British prime minister to South Africa since Harold Macmillan in 1960. He was having talks last night with King Fahd.

When he was last in Saudi Arabia in January 1993, Mr Major signed a multimillion pound defence contract and Britain is aiming to protect its position as one of the Saudis' main defence suppliers and to explore new opportunities.

The Prime Minister's visit to South Africa is part of a big international effort to bring the country back into the fold. Tomorrow Mr Major will hold talks with President Mandela and address South Africa's MPs in the Chamber of the National Assembly. On Wednesday he will go to Alexandra township before addressing the Chamber of Commerce.

British officials said the Prime Minister regarded the trip as historic. He wanted to forge a new partnership with South Africa across a broad range of mutual interests.

☐ **Johannesburg:** President Mandela is to meet King Goodwill Zwelithini of the Zulus and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, leader of the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party, today to try to settle discord over the King's invitation to the President to Shaka Day celebrations next week.

Shaka is credited with uniting numerous clans last century to form the Zulu nation. Chief Buthelezi said that the invitation issued by King Goodwill, his nephew, to Mr Mandela without consulting him would anger Zulus.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Russians broker two peace pacts

Moscow: Two of the bloodiest conflicts in the former Soviet Union appeared closer to being resolved yesterday after Moscow helped to mediate deals in Georgia and Tajikistan (Richard Beeston writes).

President Yeltsin of Russia will today interrupt his holiday to conclude an agreement with Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader and former Soviet Foreign Minister, and Vladislav Ardzinba, head of the breakaway province of Abkhazia, that will end a one-year conflict. It was also announced in Tehran that the Tajik authorities and rebels have agreed a ceasefire to run until elections on November 5.

Teenagers held

Singapore: One British and two American teenagers face possible caning in Singapore after their weekend arrest at a block of flats here for allegedly damaging cars, news reports said. *(AFP)*

Missile error

Taipei: A Taiwan navy anti-aircraft missile hit a leased Learjet-35 civilian aircraft instead of the target drone the jet was towing, killing all four crew members, a naval official said. *(Reuter)*

Kabul battles

Kabul: Heavy fighting was continuing between Shia Muslim factions in the south and west of the Afghan capital, leaving 150 people dead and at least 700 wounded, hospital sources said. *(AFP)*

Boat ordeal

Chittagong: Tony Muhammad, a Sri Lankan fisherman who survived for almost a month adrift in a boat in the Bay of Bengal, has died here. A second man is being treated in hospital. *(Reuter)*

Hungry for cash

Kathmandu: A man believed to have swallowed $79,221 (£50,800) in 178 capsules has been charged with theft and taken to a police hospital, Nepalese police said. *(AFP)*

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Securing the peace in a democratic Haiti remains Washington's hardest task

US soldiers will be deployed even if deal is struck

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

INVITED or not, American forces will pour into Haiti this week, but there will be no repeat of the farcical scenes in Somalia when US troops stormed ashore to be greeted by massed ranks of television crews with blinding lights.

America's television stations have agreed a compromise with the Pentagon under which they will refrain from broadcasting any sensitive pictures during the first hour of the US troops' arrival. They will not approach any soldiers or use camera lights during hours of darkness without the permission of military escorts. They have refused, however, to stay in their hotels and off rooftops until the streets are secured.

The American forces will enter Haiti either to remove the military regime or to prevent anarchy and retribution if the regime's leadership steps down voluntarily. In either case, special operations forces will spearhead the invasion, going in at night and securing docks, airports, television and radio stations. By dawn the rest of the 20,000 troops are to start moving in by sea and air and fanning out across the country. The invasion should be completed in eight hours to two days, but only then does the really hard task of securing the peace begin.

The United States hopes to return Jean-Bertrand Aristide, Haiti's ousted President, within ten days, and at Washington's bidding he has already begun broadcasting appeals for reconciliation not vengeance. The White House insists that Mr Aristide's three-year exile in America has transformed the fiery former priest from a Haitian Robespierre to a Haitian Gandhi.

The Administration will move immediately to lift the United Nations trade embargo that has destroyed Haiti's already pitiful economy. Within 90 days it will spend more than half of a $550 million (£350 million) one-year emergency aid package agreed with the international community, flying in huge supplies of food and fuel for the starving population and creating 50,000 jobs, including thousands for decommissioned members of Haiti's military.

The United States has been working urgently with Mr Aristide on the creation of a new civilian police force. Roughly 4,000 of Haiti's 7,500-strong military will be dismissed and offered civilian jobs. The rest will form the nucleus of an interim police force to be augmented by several hundred Haitian boat people being trained at Guantánamo Bay, and by other Haitian exiles. This group will be supervised by 500 international monitors while the US Justice Department trains a permanent force.

President Clinton intends to withdraw his invasion force within months and transfer responsibility for Haiti to a 6,000-strong multinational UN force of which American troops would form less than half. This force would stay until February 1996, by which time Haiti should have held its next presidential election and installed Mr Aristide's successor.

These plans are strewn with pitfalls. Suprise attacks on American troops would arouse vociferous demands for withdrawal. Once restored, Mr Aristide might jettison his professed desire for reconciliation. The emnity between Haiti's elite and its impoverished masses may prove insurmountable.

Aware of the risks, Mr Clinton has emphasised the limits of American ambitions. The purpose of military intervention is "to give democracy a chance, not to guarantee it: to remove stubborn and cruel dictators, not to impose a future," he said.

☐ **Havana:** In a sharp break with past policy, the Cuban goverment will soon allow farmers to sell produce in markets where supply and demand will determine prices. The policy was disclosed in an interview in *Granma* newspaper with General Raúl Castro, Cuba's deputy leader and President Castro's brother.

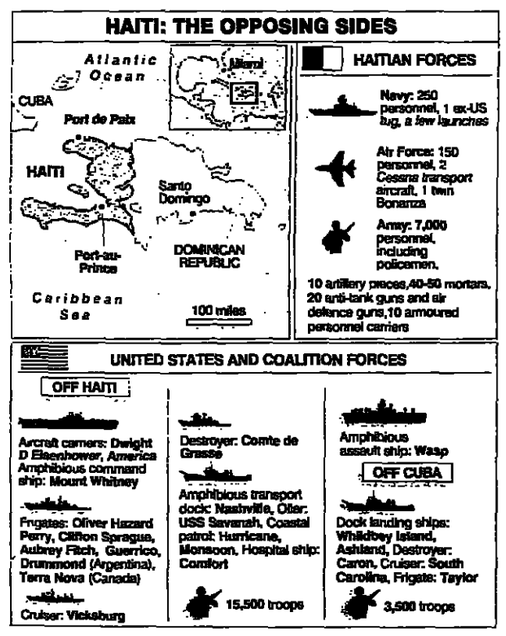
"Today, the political, military and ideological problem of this country is to increase the food supply . . . to alleviate this situation we hope to put agricultural markets into operation very soon", General Castro said. He added that Cuba's 60,000 small private farms, state farms and co-operatives will be free to sell produce at the new markets after they fulfil their commitments to the state purchasing agency.

In the early 1980s, the government allowed private farmers to sell vegetabes, fruit, pork and chicken at what were known as "free farmers' markets". These were closed by the government because of the enrichment of illegal middlemen and some farmers.

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Lieutenant General Raoul Cédras, the junta leader, at the Haiti army base at the weekend before he met Jimmy Carter, the former US president



UN is right to allow use of force over oppression

■ The Security Council has blessed any US intervention in Haiti. Although unprecedented, such backing is not in breach of its Charter, Mark Weller argues

Whether or not Jimmy Carter brokers a last-minute peace deal to save the face of the Haitian military junta, the United States is about to remove it from power on the grounds that it is the "most brutal regime" in the Western hemisphere.

Other targets in recent years, Grenada in 1983 and Panama in 1989, were vilified similarly before action was taken. But the American government justified those operations by claiming to have acted in defence of its citizens in both countries.

Now, the United States is purporting to act to enforce the Haitians' right to democracy and the United Nations Security Council has blessed the application of force to restore democratic government to a sovereign state.

The decision of the council is unprecedented, but not in breach of the UN Charter. The council is entitled to authorise force in response to threats to international security and its consistent practice confirms that internal conflicts and human suffering within states can lead to such a threat. The right of a people to dissociate themselves from an effective authority was first recognised in the cases of colonial populations and those living in occupied territories and led to UN sanctions against Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and South Africa. The right to exercise exclusive control over people was removed from those exterminating or starving a population, as happened in Iraq, and factions in Liberia and Somalia.

The United Nations has made clear that where a population has expressed its dissociation from a regime in a vote, such an authority should no longer be legitimate.

This emerging pattern is confirmed by the situations in Algeria and Nigeria. In the former case, elections were cancelled before the will of the people could be made manifest in an internationally enforceable way. In the latter case, the result was withheld for similar reasons. This could mean that the emerging right to enforce the will of the people will make some governments even more shy in their attempts to introduce democratic reform gradually.

The conduct of the Haiti operation will be critical if such fears are to be allayed. The United States, which dominates the Security Council, will need to demonstrate that its motives are limited to enabling the people of Haiti to exercise their rights freely and that only minimum force will be used. The other members of the council will need to demonstrate that the UN is capable of monitoring, and possibly restraining, the American action.

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Civilians pack up and flee to hills

FROM TOM RHODES IN PORT-AU-PRINCE

HUNDREDS of Haitians fled to the hills outside Port-au-Prince yesterday convinced that no last-minute American diplomacy could secure a peaceful solution to end the latest tragic chapter in their country's violent history.

In Cité Soleil and the other slums of the capital the poorest people in the Western hemisphere prayed openly for an American invasion that would return to power Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the exiled President ousted by a military coup almost exactly three years ago and the man who had so openly championed their cause.

Members of the army and networks of paramilitary groups, meanwhile, became increasingly tense as realisation dawned that whatever the outcome of final meetings between Haiti's high command and the senior American delegation, their particular reign of terror had at last come to an end.

Civilians with enough money or influence queued for water and food supplies before crowding into buses, lorries and cars to leave the city. Few expected to return from hiding for several months. The more fortunate had been handed envelopes of "invasion money" by their employers while others had been hoarding supplies.

Most of the country's very rich were to be found locked in their palatial fortresses in Pétionville, the suburb overlooking the capital, or cloistered at weekend homes in the mountains. In a telling aside, the El Rancho hotel, a favoured haunt of the elite, this week cancelled its popular ballroom dance classes, which had become as much a part of the diet as eating lobster or sipping champagne in the various gourmet restaurants on the hillside.

The richest families in Haiti, all of whom supported the military coup against Mr Aristide on September 30, 1991, dined with the American delegation on Saturday but were too scared to offer anything but a united front against the President's return.

The threat of imminient invasion or occupation has brought with it an unusual antipathy to foreigners and in particular Americans — showing itself in the smashing of car windscreens and punching of some journalists.

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Abu Nidal blamed for Jewish plot

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

THE Abu Nidal terrorist group was behind a foiled plot to kill Ignatz Bubis, the head of German Jewry, according to security sources in Bonn.

Streets within half-a-mile-radius of the Israeli Embassy in Bonn and the Jewish Synagogue in Berlin were sealed off by police fearing that the Palestinian breakaway group would make a spectacular bomb or assassination attempt.

Herr Bubis yesterday confirmed weekend reports that he had become a terrorist target. According to the police, Herr Bubis was to have been killed by a car bomb placed near the door of his home and the assassination would have coincided with other attacks on Israeli locations.

Police carried out raids in Berlin, Brandenburg and Hamburg and six Palestinians with Jordanian passports and one Egyptian were detained last Tuesday; those men have been given expulsion orders.

Bernd Schmidbauer, the top security adviser to Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor, said: "We may have been able to prevent something serious happening, but there is still a danger. The government is making the protection of Israeli buildings the highest priority."

Police say the assassination attempt was planned to coincide with Yom Kippur last Thursday and the intention was plainly to unhinge the Middle East peace process.

Abu Nidal, 57, whose real name is believed to be Sabri el-Banna, was one of the founding members of the Palestine Liberation Organisation but split from the PLO in 1973.

Emotional concert inspires Beirut to rebuild the wasteland of war

FROM ALI JABER IN BEIRUT

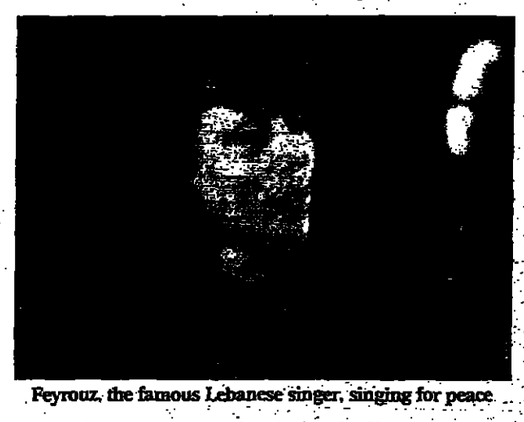
"WE'VE broken free, we've broken into the sun," sang Feyrouz, Lebanon's legendary chanteuse, to an emotional crowd of 45,000 people who packed into Martyr's Square in the devastated heart of Beirut for an open-air concert at the weekend.

The Arab world's most renowned singer was performing in her native land for the first time since the civil war broke out in Lebanon almost 20 years ago. The concert, attended by President Hrawi, Rafik Hariri, the Prime Minister, and the entire Cabinet, marked the start of reconstruction of Beirut's war-shattered central district.

"I had decided at the outbreak of the war not to sing to a single Lebanese faction or area," Feyrouz said before the concert in the square, which straddled the "Green Line" battle zone that divided Beirut into warring Christian and Muslim sectors. "Today, Beirut and this area in particular has become a symbol of the Lebanese meeting together. This meeting gives me utter happiness and joy."

The violence that had raged between 1975 and 1990 claimed the lives of more than 150,000 and turned the area into a wasteland of trenches and barricades. On Saturday night, however, it seemed that all Beirut was gathered there as laser lights played on the bullet-riddled buildings.

"Feyrouz is a part of Lebanon's collective memory," Nohad Mashnouk, 45, said. "I was overwhelmed to see among the audience teenagers as well as adults, all enjoying the same type of music. I think it was the political theme of unity and peace which Feyrouz symbolised that brought all this diversity together."



Feyrouz, the famous Lebanese singer, singing for peace

Money raised from the concert will go towards rebuilding central Beirut. Already, Westerners are beginning to return to the city. Belgian waitresses are training staff at one smart hotel, Italian technicians are updating the ramshackle telephone system and British engineers are working on some of the reconstruction projects.

Fadi Abi Samra, 30, a school teacher, said: "What is happening here today proves again that the Lebanese are determined to renounce war for peaceful coexistence."

☐ **Jerusalem:** A rabbi from the Kiryat Arba settlement, near the disputed Arab town of Hebron, has been arrested on suspicion of involvement in a new Jewish underground movement, Israeli police said.

Sandinistas fall into disarray

BY GABRIELLA GAMINI

NICARAGUA'S Sandinista Front opposition party, seen as the beacon of leftist hope in Latin America, has fallen prey to in-fighting.

The power struggle between Daniel Ortega, the former President, and the more moderate Dora Maria Tellez is also threatening the future of the party: the break-up of the Sandinistas is imminent, according to Carlos Tunnerman, a former Nicaraguan Ambassador to the United States, who resigned from the party recently. "Each day the differences become more irreconcilable," he said.

When Sandinista deputies report to parliament tomorrow many may be unsure who is the party leader. The hardliners will stand behind General Ortega, who made his debut with the party as a revolutionary guerrilla fighter and became President when the Sandinista rebels overthrew the Somoza dictatorship in 1979. General Ortega was defeated in elections in 1990 by Violeta Chamorro, who is now President.

Señora Tellez had hoped to give the Sandinista Party, which conducted Nicaragua's first free and fair elections in many decades, a less rugged image. She was elected head of the party delegation by predominantly moderate deputies in a 29-8 vote. The division within the party emerged when moderates started calling for the Sandinistas to change their radical rhetoric in order to win the 1996 elections.

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Boy shot dead as Sarajevo slides back into misery

FROM ANTHONY LOYD IN VITEZ

THE fragile month-old ceasefire in Sarajevo was again broken yesterday as the city came under heavy and sustained shelling and sniper fire, sending people running for cover. A 13-year-old boy was shot dead outside a cafe in Dobrinja, a western suburb close to the airport and surrounded by Serb forces.

The people of Sarajevo also endured their fourth day without water, gas or electricity after the Bosnian Serbs turned off the gas and refused to allow repairs to the electricity stations, which supply power to the water pumps. Bitter Muslims say the Serbs have eroded the city's gradual return to normality after Nato's ultimatum in February to withdraw their heavy weapons from the hills above the town.

In the latest wave of "ethnic cleansing", 1,300 Muslims were expelled from their homes in northeastern Bosnia-Herzegovina yesterday, according to the Red Cross. About 700 people were removed from the same area on Saturday. The refugees who crossed the front line at Turbe in central Bosnia presented a depressingly familiar sight, even in a government-held area where such influxes are common. The expulsions are part of a Bosnian Serb strategy to undermine the nascent Muslim-Croat alliance. Over the past two months more than 5,000 Muslim refugees have been crammed into coaches with whatever belongings they could carry. The total number expelled could exceed 30,000 within the next two months, according to estimates by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

"The Serbs know exactly what they are doing," said one UN official. "They are pumping these people in to put a strain on the [Muslim-Croat] federation."

After a slight improvement during the first six months of the year, the situation for the 50,000 Muslims and Croats who remain in Banja Luka has again deteriorated rapidly. Numbered at less that a tenth of their pre-war population, the residents have been reduced to little more than a ghetto-like existence. They have been denied humanitarian aid by the Serbs for over three months; they are not allowed work, other than to dig ditches or sweep the streets without pay; and are subjected to frequent pogroms by Bosnian-Serb extremists.



Since mid-July the refugees have been arriving at government lines in groups of several hundred every week, becoming part of the 2.75 million diaspora overloading the resources of the creaking state. The tenuous federation is at its most contentious where refugees are concerned. The waves of displaced people driven to central Bosnia by the Serbs two years ago from the east and west were the most decisive factor in destabilising the relationship between Muslims and Croats.

Since the federation was set up last February, few refugees from the Muslim-Croat conflict have been able to return home, as their houses are occupied by people expelled by the Serbs.

"Our biggest problem in implementing the federation is that there are already so many Muslim refugees from Krajina [in western Bosnia] living in abandoned Croat houses," said Captain John Heap, the British liason officer to the UNHCR in central Bosnia. "The Croats cannot go back unless the Muslims are made refugees again."

Propaganda broadcasts from Serb radio in Banja Luka warn Croats of an imminent surprise Muslim attack. "We have assurances from the Bosnian Serb parliament in Pale that this cleansing will stop; but of course it will not," said David Riley, the deputy head of the UNHCR in former Yugoslavia.

The lack of basic utilities in the Bosnian capital arises from a vicious circle of events initiated when power lines and isolators were damaged by gunfire to the north of the city. Pending the result of a meeting between UN representatives and the Bosnian Serbs in Pale aimed at securing permission for UN engineers to make the necessary repairs, the city remains unable to pump water to residential areas, forcing its inhabitants to queue at water collection points.

The gas supply has been closed down at the Serb-held station in Ilidza, a western suburb. This move appears to be a spiteful tit-for-tat reaction to the isolation of the Bosnian Serbs since their apparent split with Belgrade.

Britain hints at Euro-army

Brussels: Britain is preparing to abandon its resistance to a joint European defence policy and to endorse moves towards closer integration that could lead in time to the creation of a "Euro-army" (George Brock writes).

Ministers are considering plans to give the European Union a defence policy and powers to assemble and deploy military forces when the Maastricht Treaty comes up for review in 1996, according to Whitehall sources.

The present Maastricht Treaty talks about "the eventual framing of a common defence policy which might in time lead to a common defence". France, Germany and the Benelux countries are keen to go much further in 1996.



Bengt Westerberg, the leader of the Swedish Liberal Party, is watched by his son Jacob, 8, as he seals his voting envelope yesterday at a Stockholm polling station

Swedish opposition heads for victory and seeks a partner

FROM NICHOLAS GEORGE IN STOCKHOLM

SWEDEN'S Social Democrats are expected to regain power after yesterday's general election but will need a coalition ally to form the stable majority government the party feels is vital to deal with the country's economic woes.

The first exit poll showed that the present Conservative-led minority coalition government, headed by Carl Bildt, had been defeated.

Ingvar Carlsson, the Social Democrat leader, seems likely to turn to the small Liberal Party for support. Bengt Westerberg, the Liberals' leader and present Deputy Prime Minister, has said he is interested in partnership.

A month ago the need for such wheeler-dealing seemed unlikely. The Social Democrats had more than 50 per cent support showing in opinion polls and were heading for a clear majority. A lacklustre campaign was reflected, however, by a sharp drop in party support.

The main beneficiaries during the past month had not been the four parties of the government coalition but the Green Party and the former communists, now known as The Left Party. They have campaigned against Swedish membership of the European Union and cuts in welfare spending, and could win more than 40 of the 349 parliamentary seats.

The SDP's loss of support has been blamed on the party's pledges to introduce a combination of tax increases and benefit cuts.

Horn adapts a traditional political recipe

■ **Anne McElvoy, visiting Eastern Europe five years after the fall of communism, looks at Hungary where Socialist sentiments continue to dictate political life**

Five years ago this week, Father Imre Kozma, the parish priest in the Church of All Saints in Budapest, was clearing up after an unexpected event whose consequences would change the future of Europe. Two thousand East Germans, who had found refuge within the church walls in the tranquil Zugliget suburb, were on their way to the West, courtesy of the Hungarian government's decision to break ranks with the Warsaw Pact and allow free travel across its borders.

Throughout that summer, Father Kozma and his helpers organised camps for almost 50,000 of the 350,000 East Germans fleeing the sclerotic regime, before the Berlin Wall collapsed in November 1989. This month, his parish has been marking the anniversary of the Hungarian government's decision, on September 10, to allow the refugees to travel on to Austria.

The church was only half full for a commemorative Mass. Just a handful of those he fed and sheltered have returned since to express their gratitude. "People forget very quickly," he said. "1989 was a moment of great liberation in the lives of many ordinary people, but it passed like any other moment and normal life, with its limitations and worries, has resumed."

Central Europe, five years after the break-up of Communism, is a confused mixture of things changed and things remaining the same. Freedoms, unimaginable throughout the years when everything from border controls to truck production was ultimately decided by the Kremlin, are now taken for granted; yet, many of the old faces remain or have returned to power.

Hungary's former communists — rechristened the Socialist Party — made their comeback in May with Gyula Horn at their helm. As Foreign Minister in 1989, his break with his Warsaw Pact allies speeded the collapse of the ideology to which he had devoted his career as a functionary. The shift ensured him the goodwill of Bonn, where he is feted as a mini-Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, and guaranteed him a respectable political after-life at home.

A dour, rather self-satisfied man, Mr Horn's smart German suit cannot entirely expel the aura of a Soviet bloc politician. His only foreign language is Russian; he studied in Rostov-on-Don and was long thought of as the "Russians' man" in the Budapest Foreign Ministry. But he shrugs off this past, saying: "I don't want to discuss it. We live in a new Hungary now."

Addressing a recent symposium dedicated to the aftermath of 1989, Mr Horn said: "People are tired of change for change's sake. Let's be honest, there is some hankering for the stability of the 1980s."

No one fears a return to full-scale state socialism; Mr Horn has cannily quelled that fear and spread the burden of government by inviting the Liberals into coalition, despite his absolute majority. But there are ample signs of a return to protectionism and of the old socialist instinct to limit personal wealth.

A discreet veil is being drawn over the past. No one expects the promised punishment of those who requested Soviet intervention in 1956 to be realised. The implementation of a law banning former members of the secret police from public office is being hindered.

Today's answer to national uncertainty seems to be to take the old recipe for goulash Communism — four parts control to one part freedom — and invert the proportions. It is scarcely the national dish that democrats yearned for when they broke with their Warsaw Pact partners but, as Father Kozma has found out, memories are short, and the graduates of the Communist school play a long game.

Harriman to be sued over trust

BY JAMES BONE

PAMELA Harriman, the British-born US Ambassador to France and mother of Winston Churchill, the Conservative MP, is being sued by her two stepdaughters for squandering their inheritance by investing in a former Playboy hotel.

The $30 million lawsuit claims that Mrs Harriman mismanaged the trusts set up by her late husband, Averell Harriman, a former Ambassador to Britain, for his daughters. The suit also names two Democratic Party power-brokers who acted as trustees — Clark Clifford, the former US Defence Secretary, and Paul Warnke, a former Assistant Defence Secretary. Court papers filed in New York say the trustees' "betrayal of trust" meant that Mr Harriman's two daughters, Mary Fisk and Kathleen Mortimer, now both in their seventies, had lost $200,000 (£130,000) a year, depriving them of income on which they have depended. The suit calls for damages from what it describes as the "faithless fiduciaries who betrayed a trust and squandered a family's inheritance".



Harriman: living in Paris

Pamela Harriman, nee Digby, married Averell Harriman in 1971. He was her third husband after Randolph Churchill and Leland Hayward, the film producer. Mr Harriman died in 1986.

The lawsuit says the trust grew to $25 million by 1989. But, the suit claims, the trustees started investing in a former Playboy hotel complex known to have cash troubles.

French prepare for purge against corrupt officials

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

OVER a year since corruption scandals helped to bring down France's Socialist government, cases involving conservative politicians and top businessmen are embarrassing the administration of Edouard Balladur and prompting predictions of an Italian-style upheaval in French public life.

An extraordinary roll-call of chief executives from some of the most illustrious corporations, big city mayors and two ministers are being investigated by judges intent on unravelling what they see as a web of corrupt practice too long tolerated by France's cosy establishment.

Over the past week the scandals seem to have reached a critical mass, causing M Balladur to open a corruption inquiry by a commission of three "wise men". In the most telling symptom, a survey for Le Monde found that 64 per cent of company chiefs believe that corruption is endemic in business life. On Friday, Le Monde said that the disclosures have only just started and predicted that France will be unable to escape the pain of a purge on the Italian model.

On Saturday, Philippe de Villiers, the right-wing politician who recruited Sir James Goldsmith to his European Parliament team, left the centre-right Republican Party (PR) calling on citizens to "stand up against this tumour which is eating at us". M de Villiers's personal feud with PR leaders was an element in his outburst, but the party itself, a member of M Balladur's coalition, is the focus of one of several of the present affairs. A judge is investigating its finances as well as the personal accounts of Gérard Longuet, the Industry Minister. Maurice Arreckx, a PR senator and former Mayor of Toulon, is in jail awaiting trial on serious corruption charges.

Gaullist figures have also been tainted, notably Alain Carignon, Mayor of Grenoble, who resigned as Industry Minister after being charged in the summer with accepting illicit payments from public works companies. On Friday, a close associate of M Carignon, the head of Sofirad, a state broadcasting body, was detained in connection with the case.

The Grenoble affair fits the common pattern, in which companies make payments to local officials and their parties in exchange for contracts. The technique was a prime source of French party finances across the spectrum until reforms in the late 1980s. A mixture of personal and political payoffs are at the centre of the case in Lyons, where on Friday a judge committed Michel Noir, the Mayor and a former Gaullist, for trial with 11 prominent figures, including Michel Mouillon, Mayor of Cannes, and Patrick Poivre d'Arvor, France's star newscaster. The television man is alleged to have accepted about £100,000 in travel and entertainment from Pierre Botton, a businessman who is M Noir's son-in-law.

☐ **Poll candidate:** Jean-Marie Le Pen, leader of France's National Front party, yesterday became the first declared candidate for the 1995 presidential elections. *(Reuter)*

'Crashed UFO' was spying device, says US Air Force

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

THE world's most celebrated UFO, which plunged into the New Mexico desert in 1947 sparking decades of speculation and conspiracy theories, has been officially identified as part of a secret American atomic spying programme.

A US Air Force report into the Roswell Incident, the subject of at least four books and a film, said the government was lying when it said the wreckage was the remains of a weather balloon.

The report said the debris came from a secret device placed in the upper atmosphere to pick up sound waves from nuclear test blasts around the world. The revelation should put to rest the half-century-long mystery surrounding what has been described as the best-documented UFO sighting ever.

But flying-saucer enthusiasts are reluctant to abandon their theories about the crash, and quickly denounced the Air Force report as part of a cover-up. The popular mythology that has grown up around the Roswell Incident is rooted in the fact that the mangled wreckage was seen and photographed by local people before being spirited away by the US Air Force.

Over the years, accounts of the sighting have been embellished to include the supposed recovery of extra-terrestial beings and speculation about a secret government project to reconstruct the spacecraft and to use its components to develop Stealth bombers and other hi-tech weapons. Pressure for disclosure eventually became so strong that Steven Schiff, a congressman from New Mexico, called for the government to declassify all documents about the crash.

The resulting Air Force report revealed that the UFO was part of a secret government programme known as Project Mogul to monitor the Soviet Union's effort to develop nuclear weapons. High-altitude balloons were equipped with special sensors and radar reflectors but the project was inefficient and cancelled in 1950, with the balloons being allowed to fall back to earth.

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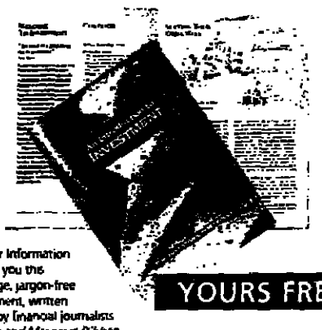
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DREW FARRELL



In the former Harland & Wolff engine shed, Scottish squaddies wait to go over the top in *The Big Picnic*, their every move tracked by the audience and raked by lasers

War is hell on wheels

THEATRE: **Jeremy Kingston** reviews a literally moving experience in the Harland & Wolff engine shed, Glasgow

So dense is the queue of patrons waiting to collect their tickets that the declaration of war is delayed for 25 minutes. Those of us who have already settled ourselves in our seats (in so far as it is possible to settle into a backless curve of red plastic) gaze across the shed at the promenaders, who mill along the three-tiered walkways or mingle with the waiting actors on the stage below.

This is the place where Bill Bryden's team built and launched *The Ship* four years ago, a last, theatrical surge of shipbuilding in an area that may never again build a real one. Now it is the turn of the Great War, as experienced by the Glasgow enthusiasts who volunteered in the first weeks: more precisely, it is the men from Govan.

A formidable difficulty for those of us who travelled up to the Clyde from the far south of England for *The Big Picnic* is that heaven knows what the actors are talking about much of the time. In the tougher passages I could make out one word in 20; one of my companions, Glasgow-born, understood every word.

Bryden tells his soldiers' tale in a succession of vignettes: a wedding is interrupted by a recruiting sergeant — their rifle drill proves to be hopeless. A pause follows, during which a newly composed song is sung from the moving gantry that once bore the weight of the ships' engines. The song presumably covers the time required for the men to change costumes, for when they reappear they are in their kilts and khaki, and sloping arms in perfect unison. The lofty traverse wall that has kept the action to one end of the vast shed now divides and the troops march through it into the hitherto unlit regions beyond.

At the same time, the entire seating section — 48 seats long, eight rows deep — moves sideways, keeping up with the soldiers until both they and we come to a stop by an open trench in the rainy autumn of 1914. This mobile seating really is a marvellous device. At the simplest level of expediency, it conveniently carries some 400 spectators the full length — 250ft — of the desolate no man's land stretching out to the end of the shed. But these spectators experience an almost cinematic sensation of tracking along a battlefield, floating above sandy ridges, shell-holes filled with water, on towards the German lines in the distance, wreathed in smoke.

From time to time the Angel of Death (crimson-haired Deborah Pope in a white robe) flies overhead: upside down for the most part, although at the close of this three-and-a-half hour show she is the right way up, leading resurrected soldiers back from their graves singing the 23rd Psalm to adopt the martial poses on a local war memorial. I take this to be irony. The Angel's appearances were technically remarkable but psychologically unconnected with events taking place below.

More powerful images are created from laser beams. Bryden, his co-director (Sebastian Graham-Jones), the designer William Dudley and Chris Ellis's lighting make lasers rake the advancing troops with machine-gun bullets.

But few of them actually die, because the production needs to follow individual case histories through the years. It is not enough for Russell Hunter to stagger back to where soldiers are dancing jigs during the Battle of the Somme and tell them the slaughter has been the Devil's work. We have seen them all miraculously walk through the laser bullets, and this imparts a sense of unreality to the occasion, boldly conceived, imaginatively treated, though it is.

● The Big Picnic, *Harland & Wolff engine shed, Govan (041-242 3666) until end of October*

Party time for first-formers

THE bar was quiet, *writes Adrian Deevoy*. The auditorium wasn't. The screaming came in waves. Here was a case of a great pop band being upstaged by their audience and enjoying every moment.

Musical highlights came in the shape of Gary Barlow's celebrated ballads, "Why Can't I Wake Up With You" and "Million Love Songs", the latter of which effectively won Barlow two Ivor Novello songwriting awards earlier this year and suggests a talent based on substantially more than mere fluke. "Babe", another down-tempo weepie, revealed itself to be a slightly melodramatic war ballad — the type of lyric that Wilfred Owen might have written had he worked the gay clubs.

Barlow took it upon himself to deliver the lead vocals in an unremarkable but reassuringly competent warble. Jason Orange took the choreography honours. But a Take That show is about neither singing nor dancing; it is about a peculiarly passionate form of pre-pubescent lust. The air hummed with something that appeared to be sex's younger sister: all anguished eyes and bitten bottom lips.

Take That
Wembley Arena



Gary Barlow: talent based on more than mere fluke

For many of the first-form first-timers, this was the greatest night of their lives. And, if they were honest, some of the more senior audience members would admit that they had a ball of sorts too.

THE Royal Philharmonic Orchestra opened its new season at the Festival Hall with a major event, *writes Barry Millington*: the first British professional performance of the original version of Janáček's *Glagolitic Mass*.

If *Glagolitic Mass* was already familiar as a work of unconventional drama and power, the new edition reveals an even more astonishing originality of conception. The various alterations drastically sharpen the drama, secularising the Mass even further. Under Sir Charles Mackerras's vigorously assertive direction its impact was blistering. The soprano Helen Field proved less successful than Philip Langridge in riding the operatic storm. Jean Rigby and David Thomas were the remaining soloists. The Brighton Festival Chorus was exhilarating, and John Scott's organ solos dazzling.

The concert opened with the same soloists in Mozart's Requiem. Again it was a performance of passion and energy, rather than refinement. It was nevertheless a satisfying account.

RPO/Mackerras
Festival Hall

SINCE arriving in London from her native Dublin in 1987, singer Christine Tobin has honed her craft by immersing herself in the club scene, *writes Chris Parker*. In a Vortex so crowded that the piano stool was lost to a predator before the band arrived, Tobin — backed by Huw Warren (piano), Steve Watts (bass) and Mike Pickering (drums) — quickly demonstrated that she has not only absorbed technical skills but also selected sympathetic material from the cream of London's composers. Thus she leavened an intriguing mix of traditional Irish folk and Brazilian music with compositions by Nick Weldon and Jonathan Gee, as well as Ellington and Joni Mitchell.

She seemed to thrive on the variety. Most importantly, wherever she went, she took the audience with her.

Christine Tobin
The Vortex, N16

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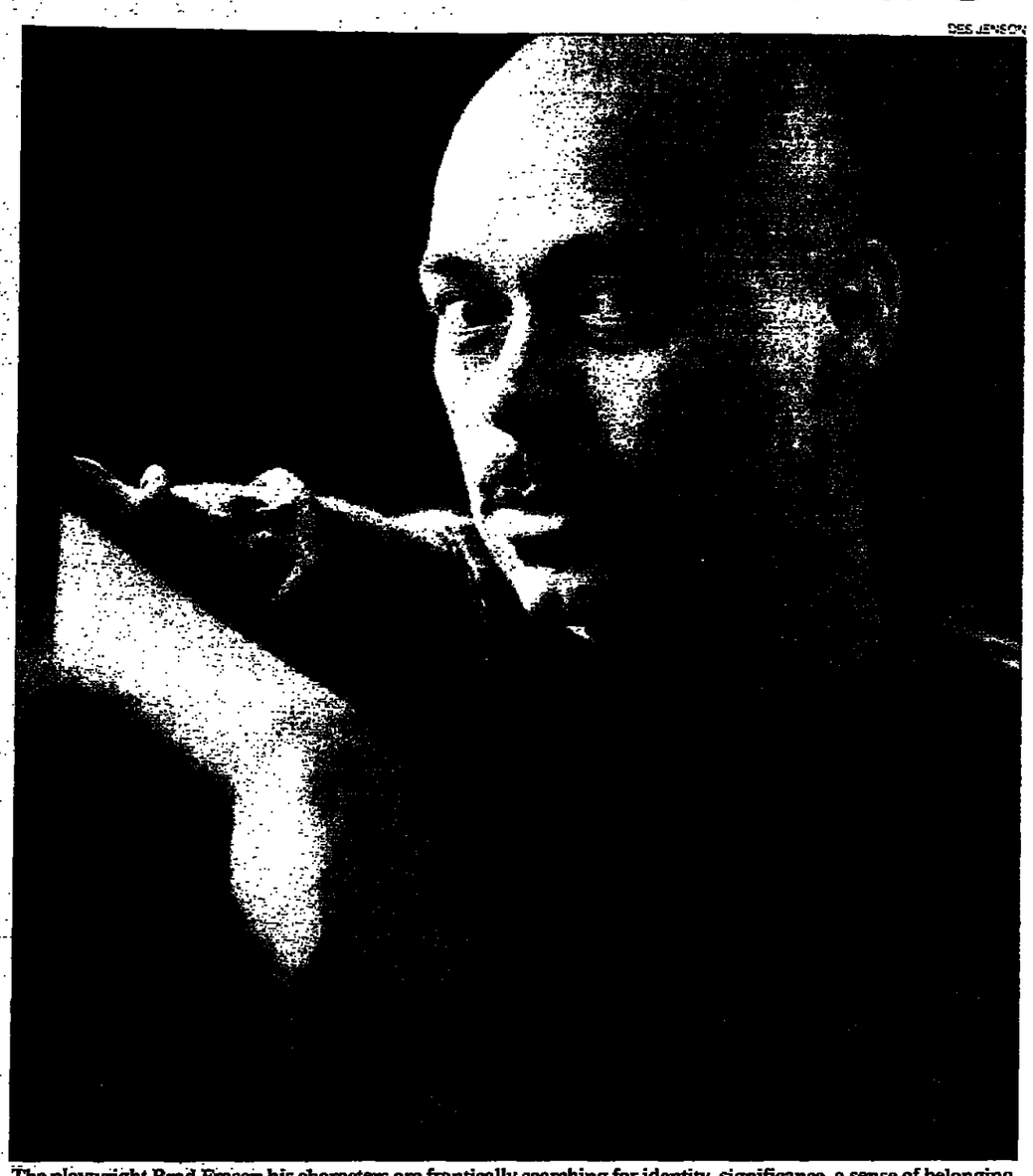
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Talk on the wild side

Brilliant, or just offensive? A new Brad Fraser play produces violent reactions, as he tells **Benedict Nightingale**



DES JENSON

The playwright Brad Fraser: his characters are frantically searching for identity, significance, a sense of belonging

The other day Brad Fraser was strolling through Soho when a passing driver, upset by his shaved head and large gold earring, leaned out of his car and screamed "faggot". The dramatist is no softie, but he was taken aback. This was his first visit to London. In his native Canada he had been taught that London represented everything that was polished and cultured.

"I've never been in a city so hostile to someone looking homosexual," he says. "There's a brutish sensibility to the people in the streets, a more abrasive feeling than I get in any North American city, even New York. It's the scariest place I've been in to walk around at night."

That is quite a tribute, for Fraser's work has established him as one of theatre's leading experts on urban ennui. His superb *Unidentified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love*, now also a movie (*Love and Human Remains*), actually introduced a serial killer into an already sick and desolate cityscape. His *Poor Super Man*, which opens at the Hampstead Theatre tonight after a successful run at Edinburgh's Traverse, adds Aids to the emotional algebra, as well as several more lonely, restless characters desperately looking for love.

Fraser has always been a restless, rootless person. Right now, he is living out of suitcases and in hotels, having discovered he was spending too little time in his house in Edmonton to make it worth keeping. But that is nothing new for him. His father helped to bulldoze the Trans-Canada Highway into being, which meant that Brad, born in 1959, spent his childhood in motels and trailer courts. One year, he went to four schools.

He feels that being exposed to so many different people gave him a gift for characterisation and dialogue. But it was clearly a deeply unsettling way of life, especially since his father was a violent alcoholic. Brad skipped classes, smoked lots of dope, and decided that everything but English, drama and art was "boring bullshit". He also did battle with the suicidal impulses brought on by the impossibility of denying his homosexuality.

"I grew up thinking there were no other gay people, homosexuality was like mental illness, and everyone hated you. With that, how can you not go through periods of intense self-hatred? It wasn't altogether a bad thing because having survived it makes me what I am now. But it was a rocky road."

The rocks that damage the man can be turned into building-bricks by the artist. Fraser now has his own distinctive voice, his own edgy style, even his own unlikely Gomorrahs in Edmonton and Calgary. His plays' action comes in brusque bursts, reflecting the impatience of people with lives that seldom fulfil and sometimes torment. They are bleak, funny and gripping.

They are also undeniably disturbing and, as Fraser ruefully says, upset theatre trustees. *Poor Super Man*, which involves an affair between a gay painter and a married man, caused something akin to civil war on its premiere in Cincinnati. The sheriff threatened to seek an indictment against it from a grand jury. The vice squad came and boggled at its more bare-faced or bare-bottomed moments. The theatre's board tried to cancel it. But press and public pressure carried the day. Unsurprisingly, it was a sell-out.

Fraser came late to the theatre but early to writing for it. Indeed, it all happened in his mid-teens: an apocalyptic conversion after seeing his first professional production, Shaffer's *Equus*; a growing irritation with the Canadian theatre's reliance on imports; success in a competition for young playwrights. He was only 19 when he wrote and directed *Mutants*, about boys who take a prison governor hostage in protest against the guards who have sexually harassed them.

The board of the Edmonton theatre staging it tried to cancel the play. Instead, its success won Fraser attention enough to ensure that his *Wolf Boy*, set in a mental institution, got produced in four Canadian theatres. But it was so ferociously attacked by the Toronto critics that Fraser, like the painter in *Poor Super Man*, took a job as a waiter.

After that came *Human Remains*, this time in Calgary. The theatre was nervous, the director quit a week before opening, Chicago called it pornographic, New York talked of yellow journalism. But it showed that a Canadian dramatist was in the van of theatrical progress.

The play is currently proving its international appeal by being produced in Japan. But Fraser is the first to acknowledge its national roots. He talks of the isolation and "island mentality" of western Canada, and thinks of his fellow countrymen as "in-between people".

Like him, many are urban beings with farming roots barely a generation away. Like him, they have access to solid British traditions and visceral American emotions. "Not this, not that, fitting and not fitting, the homosexuals of the world," he adds, only half-jokingly.

No wonder you get the feeling that his characters are frantically searching for identity, significance and a sense of belonging. No wonder there is something disorientating about his writing. He finds his style hard to define: but thinks it has to do with "a sense of the bizarre, a way of looking at the world that's slightly skewed". But his work, he insists, is meant not to offend, rather to articulate his generation's confusions and prod audiences out of passivity.

What next? A screenplay for Disney about a sculptor who magically changes faces raises fears that he might be sucked into that black hole, Hollywood. But a musical called *Outrageous* is coming too. "And I'd like to do something with virtual reality, laser technology, that kind of thing. I'd like to take the best of film and theatre and come up with something new."

● *Poor Super Man opens at the Hampstead Theatre, Swiss Cottage Centre, London NW3 (071-722 9301) tonight at 7pm*

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OVERTURES

Latest moves in show business and the arts

FOR his £4 million film of *Richard III*, **Sir Ian McKellen** expects to be acting with some impressive names. Those being sought include **Jeanne Moreau**, **Alec Baldwin**, **Maggie Smith**, **Al Pacino** (who has himself played Richard III on Broadway), and **Anjelica Huston**. McKellen will repeat his 1930s Fascist concept of Richard that won acclaim at the National. Under Alex Cox's direction, shooting starts early next year in Ireland.

Huston may be pretty busy by then. After various hitches, it looks as if she may make her Broadway debut next spring in Rattigan's *The Deep Blue Sea*, in the part of the suicidal Hester. Film producer **Scott Rudin** (*Addams Family Values*), who is ever more involved in Broadway, will produce the play.

● MANY pop artists have enjoyed a rejuvenated career after a television commercial adopted one of their old hits. But **Tom Waits** took offence when it happened to him, and a Los Angeles Superior Court judge agreed. The judge has awarded Waits $20,000 damages against his own publishers for "embarrassment and humiliation" caused when his tracks were used to flog shaving cream to the French and Levi jeans to the British.

● A COUP for the Kent Literature Festival: **Marsha Hunt** leads a workshop in Folkestone (October 1) on "Writing and the Black Experience". There are 100 free places for black writers: call 0622 714075. From another literary world, five English composers have been commissioned by the **Housman Society** to set A.E.'s poems to music for the Shropshire lad's 1996 centenary year.

● THE fashion for albums of cover versions continues. **Annie Lennox** is said to be close to finishing such a project, due for release early in 1995. But beating her into the shops with *Hold Me, Thrill Me, Kiss Me* will be **Gloria Estefan**. Out next month, the LP revisits hits by Carole King, the Rascals and, yes, even Gerry and the Pacemakers.

● **PAUL Scofield** may be a hot Hollywood property once more after his memorable performance in the new Robert Redford film *Quiz Show*. But the 72-year-old actor has not forsaken the stage. He plans a return to the West End next year, perhaps in *The Master Builder*. "For a limited run at the Haymarket," he says, "or something like that."

BOOKS

Two pages of reviews on Thursdays and Saturdays

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ *House full, returns only*
◧ *Some seats available*
□ *Seats at all prices*

◧ **BABIES** Jonathan Harvey's clever comedy about a schoolgirl's DIY baby quite, where sexual longings get out of hand
Royal Court Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat 3.00pm

◧ **STEVEN BERKOFF DOUBLEBILL** The re-staged Riverside reopens with two Berkoff premieres. *Sturm und Drang* casts actor Berkoff as Hitler in a 1990s decade of greed and Brighton Beach Scumbags rip-off. He directs and plays
Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, Hammersmith, W6 (081-741 2255). Mon-Sat 7.30pm. Until Oct 8

◧ **DESIGN FOR LIVING** Clive Owen, Paul Rhys and Rachel Weisz in Coward's defence of the ménage à trois. The evening is a lot of fun though Sean Mathias' emphasis on the bisexuality where Coward is only flirting
Donmar Warehouse, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-369 1732). Mon-Sat 8pm, mats Thurs and Sat 3pm

◧ **JOKING APART** Opening night for Alan Ayckbourn's 1978 black comedy about a (friendly) unsuccessful golden couple whose generosity and richness have appalling consequences. Robin Herford directs
Greenwich Crooms Hill SE10 (081-858 7755). Tonight, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mat Sat 2.30pm

◧ **LET THERE BE LOVE** Clarke Peters's memorial tribute to Nat King Cole. More than two dozen songs are dropped in, including many of the favourite hits. Peters does not prowl
Theatre Royal Stratford East, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310). Mon-Sat 8pm, mat Sat 4pm

◧ **THE OFFICIAL TRIBUTE TO THE BLUES BROTHERS** Restaged version of the 1991 show recalling the characters created by Dan Aykroyd and John Belushi. Thirty songs feature Elwood and Jake Shields
Comedy Panton St, SW1 (071-369 1731). Previews begin tonight, 8pm. Opens Wed 7pm

□ **ONLY THE LONELY** Larry Branson in Buddy, tonight's musical on the life and songs of Roy Orbison. The title song was his first hit but many others are doubtless appear
Piccadilly, Denman St (071-371-3958). 11am. Now previewing. Opens Sept 27, 7pm

◧ **THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY** Complete staging of Wilde's famous tale, set partly in the Two Flies among members of Wilde's cast. Perhaps too clever to be successful but strong performances by Mark Arden, Benedict Sykes, Bette Bourne and Tom Paige-Smith
Lyric, King St, Hammersmith (W6 081-741 2311). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat 3.30pm. Until Oct 15

■ **THE PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD** Moving performance by Aisling O'Sullivan in a strong, rough and vivid production by Lynne Parker of Synge's comic masterpiece
Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat 4pm. Until Oct 15

◧ **RACING DEMON** Prior to its appearance at the UK/USA Festival in Los Angeles, David Hare's classic drama about tensions in the modern Church of England returns for pre-Lambeth performances. With Oliver Ford Davies, Michael Bryant and Richard Pasco among the cast. Richard Eyre directs
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight and tomorrow, 7.15pm

□ **TWO WEEKS WITH THE QUEEN** Alan Ayckbourn directs Mary Morris's funny and touching play for family audiences, adapted from the novel by Morris Gleitzman. An Australian 12-year-old goes to the top to find a decent doctor to save his prisoners' lives
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Now previewing, opens tomorrow, 7.30pm. Opens tomorrow, 7pm

□ **THE TEMPEST** Andy McCowan previews as Prospero and Simon Purton as Ariel in a ballet of Ariel manipulations, magic in Sam Mendes's stirring production from last year's Stratford
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm

◧ **THE WINSLOW BOY** Peter Barkworth, Simon Williams, Nanette Brown, Porter and Eve Matheson in Rattigan's over-popular drama of a man's fight to prove his son innocent, when the Royal Naval College expels him for theft. Mr Jones directs
Globe Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Mon-Sat 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat 4pm

LONG RUNNERS

□ **Arcadia** (071-930 6800) □ **Blood Brothers** Phoenix (071-867 1044) □ **Buddy** Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ◧ **Cats** New London (071-405 0072) □ **Copacabana** Prince of Wales (071-930 0730) □ **Crazy for You** Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ◧ **Dead Funny** Vaudeville (071-836 9987) ◧ **Don't Dress for Dinner** Duchess (071-494 5075) ◧ **Five Guys Named Moe** Lyric (071-494 5045) ◧ **Grease** Dominion (071-416 6060) □ **An Inspector Calls** Aldwych (071-836 6404) □ **Lady Windermere's Fan** Apollo (071-867 1116) ◧ **Les Misérables** Palace (071-434 0909) □ **The Miracle Worker** Wyndham's (071-867 1116) ◧ **Miss Saigon** Theatre Royal (071-494 5400) □ **The Mousetrap** St Martin's (071-836 1443) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera** Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) □ **St Joan** Strand (071-930 5800) □ **She Loves Me** Savoy (071-836 8888) □ **Starlight Express** Apollo Victoria (071-834 8665) ◧ **Sunset Boulevard** Adelphi (071-344 0055) □ **The Woman in Black** Fortune (071-836 2238)

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

◆ **CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER** (12) Harrison Ford fights Government duplicity and Colombia's drug cartels. Philip Noyce directs the best Jack Ryan adventure so far
Barbican (071-638 8891) **Empire** (0800 888911) **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

DAZED AND CONFUSED (18) High school kids of 1976 drink, light and philosophise. Mildly disappointing follow-up to Slacker from director Richard Linklater
Metro (071-437 0757) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

PEEPING TOM (18) Michael Powell's voyeuristic horror film of 1960, alternately clever, dull and unpleasant. With Carl Bohm and Anna Massey
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443)

SMOKING/NO SMOKING (PG) Ayckbourn adapted into French by Alain Resnais, exquisitely turned, but the artifice gets wearing
Curzon West End (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666)

CURRENT

◆ **COLOR OF NIGHT** (18) Tawdry, unpleasant erotic thriller, with Bruce Willis as a therapist dogged by a murderer. With Jane March
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

DARKNESS IN TALLINN: Mobsters plan to steal the gold reserves of newly independent Estonia. Ingenious and resonant thriller, from Finnish director Ilkka Jarvilaturi
ICA (071-930 3647)

THE HUDSUCKER PROXY (PG) Hick becomes company boss. Ritzy comic pastiche from the Coen brothers, with Tim Robbins, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Paul Newman
Gate (071-727 4043) **Lumiere** (071-836 0691) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen/Hill** (071-435 3566)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18) Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Piccadilly** (071-437 3561) **Odeons: Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772)

LOVE & HUMAN REMAINS (18) Mordant tales of love, sex and serial killings. Denys Arcand directs a fresh, excellent cast, led by Thomas Gibson and Ruth Marshall
MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527)

◆ **THE MASK** (PG) Strange mask turns mild bank employee into a wisecracking demon. Inventive vehicle for rubber-faced Jim Carrey, filled with the antic spirit of 1940s cartoons. Director, Charles Russell.
MGMs: Baker St (071-935 9772) **Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Shaftesbury Ave** (071-836 6279) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **MR JONES** (15) Contrived romantic drama about a manic depressive (Richard Gere) and his doctor (Lena Olin). Director, Mike Figgis
MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **Odeons: Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574)

A SHADOW OF DOUBT (15) Engrossing French drama about child abuse and the havoc it wreaks, excellently directed by Anne Issermann. With Sandrine Blancke, Alain Bashung
Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661)

◆ **SIRENS** (15) Oxford cuisine and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians. Joyful, lusicious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson
MGMs: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **Panton Street** (071-930 0631) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Mezzanine** (0426 915683) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **TRUE LIES** (15) Schwarzenegger saves the world from Middle East terrorists. But what about his marriage? Overblown fun with Jamie Lee Curtis
Empire (0800 888911) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **WHEN A MAN LOVES A WOMAN** (15) Serious, well-focused drama about alcohol abuse, detoxification and after. With Meg Ryan and Andy Garcia, director, Luis Mandoki
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

WRESTLING ERNEST HEMINGWAY (12) Richard Harris and Robert Duvall as old-timers beached in Florida. Tender but overstretched character study, directed by Randa Haines
MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

◆ **WYATT EARP** (12) Over-solemn and reverential epic, with Kevin Costner as the lawman, and Dennis Quaid as Doc Holliday. Lawrence Kasdan directs
MGMs: Baker Street (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

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Disagreement over Earth's collision risk . . . drugs fail to beat septic shock . . . preserving wooden objects found underwater

Eyes skinned for meteors



PROFESSOR Stephen Hawking put the cat among the pigeons last week with his cheery remarks about comet Machholz-2, which some astronomers believe could be heading our way.

"I think it's almost certain the comet will miss Earth," said Professor Hawking, before going on to spoil the effect. "If it did hit, it would probably mean the end of the human race," he opined.

His remarks, made to reporters in Kuala Lumpur, have created a degree of alarm that is probably unjustified. But they emphasise that it is no longer considered entirely daft to suggest that the Earth could be remodelled by the impacts of comets and meteorites.

There are still plenty of doubters, of course, among them the Astronomer Royal, Professor Arnold Wolfendale. Others are not quite so sure. In 1989, they point out, an asteroid 1,000 feet in diameter missed the Earth by less than half the distance to the Moon, and nobody even saw it coming.



SCIENCE BRIEFING

Nigel Hawkes

Eugene Shoemaker, the co-discoverer of the comet Shoemaker-Levy which collided with Jupiter in July, says that had one of its pieces hit the Earth instead it might have dug a crater the size of Rhode Island. But it would not have threatened civilisation, in his view.

The latest flurry is over a comet found last month, Machholz-2, which like Shoemaker-Levy has broken into several pieces. Five pieces have been seen, but orbits cannot yet be calculated accurately. This is why it is impossible at present to say for sure that they are not Earth-bound.

Dr Duncan Steel of the Anglo-Australian Observatory in New South Wales says that as far as he can tell, the fragments should not hit the Earth in the next hundred years — "but we might be wrong". He says that the largest bits are about a mile or so across, quite enough to do a huge amount of damage.

The American space agency Nasa estimates that there are 2,100 objects out there bigger than a kilometer in diameter, which would damage climate and cause loss of life. Massive damage calls for an object three miles or more across. The object thought to have knocked off the dinosaurs 65 million years ago and drilled a crater the size of Belgium in the Gulf of Mexico was probably about double that size.

What might we do if we spotted one? Borrow the plot of the 1979 sci-fi movie *Meteor* (Sean Connery, Natalie Wood) and blast it with a nuclear warhead, of course. Thus technology imitates art.

Killed off



EVERY year thousands of hospital patients are struck by septic shock, a devastating form of blood poisoning caused by infectious agents — bacteria, fungi, or viruses — getting into the bloodstream and triggering the immune system into violent activity.

In America, statistics suggest there could be as many as 500,000 cases a year, and 100,000 deaths. Understandably, given such a huge potential market, the biotech companies have been trying hard to find a way of treating the condition effectively.

Plenty of investors infected with biotech fever — a condition that is almost but not quite as lethal as septic shock — have been persuaded to put their money into the latest white hope. Alas, the score now stands at septic shock 6, biotech 0.

The latest company to bite the dust is Synergen, whose stock in early 1993 was standing at $90, partly on the hope that its drug Antril would prove the winner. Big trials of Antril showed that it worked no better than a placebo. Synergen's shares took a dive to less than $5 on the news.

Biotechnology reports in its current issue that Synergen has now joined Centocor, Chiron, Cortech, Immunex and Xoma in having suffered defeats at the hands of septic shock. Quite clearly, this particular disease is not going to give in without a struggle. Investors beware.

Dry ice break



TWO chemists at the University of St Andrews have achieved the remarkable feat of removing all the water from a jelly without the jelly collapsing. What they were left with at the end was an unbearably light object, jelly-shaped but full of holes where the water had been.

The experiment was a way of proving a new technique for preserving wooden objects found under water. If left to dry, such things shrink, crack, and disintegrate as the water leaves the wood. Traditionally, the technique used for small objects recovered from ships like the *Mary Rose* has been to replace the water with polyethylene glycol, and then to freeze-dry them.

Now Professor David Cole-Hamilton and Dr Barry Kaye believe they have a better method, borrowing the techniques used to make decaffeinated coffee. First they soak the objects in methanol, which displaces the water. Then they put them in an oven with dry ice — carbon dioxide — at a temperature of 40C and a pressure of 80 atmospheres.

Under these conditions, carbon dioxide forms a supercritical fluid: a material whose liquid and gas phases have exactly the same density. "The liquid phase dissolves out the methanol and the gas phase carries it away," says Professor Cole-Hamilton.

The process is quick — a week rather than two to three months — and has the great advantage that it does no damage to metal parts which corrode if the traditional method is used. It has been used with great success to conserve knife handles from the Elizabethan warship *Makeshift* which sank off Alderney in 1592.

Soon, bigger objects up to two feet by one foot are to be tried, though Professor Cole-Hamilton finds it hard to conceive of an oven large enough to conserve an entire ship like the *Mary Rose*. With funding from English Heritage, he plans to try bone and other materials to see if the method works as well for them.

A second dawn for the universal rebel

Margot Norman meets Sir Fred Hoyle, 79 and still a thorn in the side of the science Establishment

There is an air of suppressed excitement in Sir Fred Hoyle's airy flat overlooking the sea at Bournemouth. He is approaching 80 but this is no place of retirement: he starts work at 7.30 each morning, and by the time I arrive at nine the fax machine is spewing out mathematical formulae from his former student J.V. Narlikar in India. Every evening at six he is impatient to confer with his old colleague Geoffrey Burbidge in California. Five massive papers, the fruits of their recent labours in cosmology, lie stacked by Hoyle's chair: all have just been, or are about to be, published in journals of astronomy and physics worldwide. The weightiest will dominate January's issue of *Reviews of Modern Physics*, just as Hoyle's milestone paper on nucleosynthesis, written with Willy Fowler and Geoffrey and Margaret Burbidge, dominated that journal in 1957. Universally regarded as one of the great contributions to 20th century physics, it confirmed Hoyle's theory that the elements in our bodies are forged in the nuclear furnaces of distant stars.

Is it possible that Hoyle is about to do it again, this time persuading scientists to abandon Big Bang and follow his "Quasi-steady State" theory, that enables us to look back through the history of the universe for at least 600 billion years — compared with the 10 to 15 billion currently assumed — and finding in deep space all the origins of life?

All romantics must hope so, for it would strike a resounding blow for dogged unorthodoxy and make his years in the scientific wilderness worthwhile. He has been vilified by biologists and zoologists into whose territory he strayed to claim that viruses come from space, for example, or that archaeopteryx, the "missing link" reptile-to-bird fossil, is a fake. "What people tend to say about my work is that for the last 15 years it's been all wrong, while previously it was about 80 per cent right," he says. "What I think is that one's score doesn't really change."

The omens are promising. This summer glycine, the simplest amino acid, was discovered in the Milky Way: that, said Hoyle, was 5 per cent of the way to proving his idea. Last week he was unexpectedly awarded a significant Swiss prize. And, although the distinguished radio atronomer Sir Bernard Lovell wrings his hands over young astronomers who have got the idea that anything Hoyle says must be wrong, and therefore don't even read his papers, Hoyle himself senses a new unease, especially in America, about the stifling orthodoxy of the astro-physics Establishment.

Having coined the phrase Big Bang, he watched the theory reign for a quarter of a century "without producing a single successful prediction". This is how he states the paradox of the impasse in which we now find ourselves: "If you suppose that matter has *not* always existed, then you find the laws of physics imply that the universe need not have had a Big Bang. If you suppose that matter *has* always existed, then inevitably you end up with a Big Bang. So in order to avoid the impasse, we need to modify the physical laws in one crucial respect. Next spring, when one of the world's big telescopes observes two particular large objects in space, I hope we shall see some support for that modification."

Fred Hoyle's autobiography, published this week, is full of clues as to his longevity, his energy and toughness, and finally to the fatalism — recently acquired, in the course of an illness that threatened the life of Barbara, his devoted wife of 55 years — that has enabled a sensitive man to look back without bitterness. "Bitterness butters no parsnips," announces the clear Yorkshire voice.

There was plenty to be bitter about. The chapters describing the Machiavellian politics of high academia during the years when he famously founded the Institute of Astronomy at Cambridge, and then equally famously walked away from both the institute and his Plumian professorship of astronomy, are more chilling than anything in *Yes Minister*, and sometimes as funny. To Hoyle, ideas are like birds to be let out of their cages and to get on as best they can. When he left that Robespierre-like existence at Cambridge, for 16 years of isolation in a cold house in the Lake District, he too felt like a bird escaping its cage.

DENZIL MCNEELANCE



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He acquired his toughness in childhood, walking eight miles a day in leaky shoes to and from the grammar school in Bingley, fighting off local thugs. He was lucky in his parents, a father who sold textile "seconds" and a mother who, having worked in the mill to finance her studies at the Royal Academy of Music, sang like a bird and set his educational sights high. The first years were hard, though: with his father away at the war and his mother resolutely refusing to queue, he went short of clothes and protein. The Depression was hard too; his father stopped trading.

The adult Hoyle has always been an iconoclast, reckoning it a waste of time to engage with "problems that are generally understood, where the orthodox view is almost invariably right". As a child he played truant for nearly three years, cooking up lethal chemical cocktails in his mother's kitchen. A strong-armed old bat of a teacher set him off: when he found that the flower in his hand had six petals, not the five she insisted on, she cuffed him so hard that his eardrum burst.

This didn't just put him off school. It left him with deafness in the left ear that was to get worse just as he needed sharp hearing for all the Cambridge intrigue. "I never met a politician yet who couldn't hear a pin drop on the other side of London," he observed ruefully.

Education remained a struggle despite his brilliance. At Bingley the chemistry master had to buy textbooks from his own pocket, and the harassed headmaster tutored him in the evenings, but their efforts were no match for the drilling of the old public schools. Hoyle always had to chase scholarships, training himself like an athlete.

He has stayed in training, both mentally and, through mountaineering, physically. In this book he doesn't even mention the Nobel Prize of which even his detractors agree he was cheated by the Establishment. Perhaps that episode, and the traumatic affair of the institute, were blessings in heavy disguise. Few Nobel winners have gone on producing big ideas.

Hoyle the long-distance runner hopes and believes his revived theory of cosmology may keep scientists busy through much of the next century, as they find him wrong in detail, perhaps, but right in general direction. At 79 he still has much to do. The fax machine has effectively enabled him to re-found his institute, on a shoestring, free of politics and with nine colleagues working away in different corners of the earth.

Barbara does the administration, silently collating papers and communicating with her owlish husband through remarkable dark brown eyes. As I leave, I read in them a belief that the years of Hoyles-against-the-world may be over.

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BRITAIN'S native crayfish are to be saved from extinction at the hands of more aggressive American imports. A government-backed scheme will create exclusion zones covering most of the UK. *Nick Nuttall writes.* Ecologists will be pleased; crayfish farmers will be dismayed.

Signal crayfish, originally imported from America, are rapid breeders. They have taken over much of southern England since being introduced in the 1970s by farmers. They and other "alien species" from abroad will be effectively banned because they carry a disease deadly to the native crayfish.

JOHN CLEGG



Signal crayfish: 5cm longer than the British species and better at competing for food

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Enter Mrs Win-a-lot

In rather more than 20 words, **Rachel Kelly** introduces the undisputed queen of competitions


RICHARD RAYNER

Rita Smallburn: having won "everything she could hope for", including a £50,000 house and 36 holidays, she has decided to share her secrets

Outside Rita Smallburn's executive home, in what marketing men term an "exclusive close" near Darlington, Co Durham, is parked a sparkling new peacock blue Renault Clio. Mrs Smallburn won it.

It is the fifth car she has won. The others were a Ford Fiesta, Toyota Corolla, Volvo estate and Daihatsu saloon. Inside her sitting room are a video, television, compact disc system, three-piece suite, canteen of cutlery, decanter and glasses, silverware, *Trivial Pursuit*, *Scrabble*, and jeroboam of champagne: all prizes.

In her kitchen are a dishwasher, microwave, Le Creuset saucepan set, toaster, coffee maker, electric carving knife, kettle, can opener and iron: more prizes.

In fact, there is virtually nothing in Mrs Smallburn's entire house, bar her dog, which she hasn't won. She did not actually win the house, but seven years ago she won a Bryant home worth £50,000, which she sold two years later for £100,000. For the last 16 years, she has been a self-styled "Queen of Competitions", or "compers" as they are known in the trade. Locally, she is known as Mrs Win-a-lot.

Now, she is seeking to impart her competition-winning skills to other compers by setting up a consultancy and penning *The Easy Way to Win Competitions*.

"Having won everything I could possibly hope for, including the £50,000 house and 36 holidays, I have decided to try and help others achieve success too," she says, cradling a cup of tea on her prize sofa next to Ray, her husband and partner in competition-winning.

Her particular penchant is for competitions with a tie-breaking slogan: those that end "I love my Renault Clio because" in fewer than 20 words. Her own winning slogan was "The Renault Clio is special because it's the milder alternative to a Ferrari."

Those few words conceal months of painstaking market research. One of Mrs Smallburn's top tips is find out what the promoter, as the competition holder is known, is seeking to convey about its product. In the case of the Renault, the competition was held by Henry Winterman's cigars, which were seeking to sell their product as the mild cigar. Promoters appreciate such understanding, and ideally a mention of their name too, says Mrs Smallburn.

She advises entering as many competitions as you can afford. For those who do not have time to research the factual questions, she recommends the magazine *Competition Solutions*, which gives answers to most of each months's competitions.

"Your slogan must catch the eye of the judges in a split-second," she says. "Humour, rhyming couplets and wit are important. But don't try to be too clever. Often the judges simply miss the point." Old chestnut though it is, she cites "Experts perfect it, connoisseurs select it" as a perfect tie-breaking slogan.

Since she abandoned her day job as a geography teacher in a Manchester comprehensive 16 years ago, Mrs Smallburn believes she has honed her skills. "I expect to win between 20 and 40 per cent of the competitions I enter," she says. "But my winnings could vary enormously year by year. One year I might win £3,000. The next it could be £100,000." All her earnings are tax-free.

She has always loved words. Brought up in Manchester, she has been reading since she was three. Jane Austen is a special favourite. A career in teaching, four children and two grandchildren followed, all of whom are recipients of her prizes. She has become so well known on the prize-winning circuit that she often enters competitions in her daughters' names, or her maiden name.

Now 62, she clearly enjoys her unusual trade and the local fame it has brought her. Her husband Ray is bald, but that didn't stop Mrs Smallburn buying hair-gel to enter a contest to win a CD system. The man's haircut which she won as a consolation prize was sadly redundant.

She enters only about 12 competitions a month now, down from a peak of about 50 when she was younger. She is busy with her consultancy work, and winning takes time and money, but the postman's arrival is still a thrill, and if her family wants something, she will try to win it. At the moment she is competing for a fax machine. She would not dream of buying anything.

It is an odd life, though Mrs Smallburn denies it is an obsession. "It's more like an extreme enthusiasm," she says. To work, the thrill must be in the winning rather than the prizes. For all that the Smallburn sitting room is stuffed with consumer durables, the price is the sheer plug-ugliness of some of the prizes and the lack of freedom to buy what you choose. The dog is not even allowed a favourite brand of pet food.

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Enterprise? We've got it

There are plenty of women ready to command the Starship



LIBBY PURVES

CAPTAIN'S Log, stardate 190/994. Genevieve Bujold has walked out of *Star Trek* after only two days of filming. She was to be the *captain of the Starship*, the first woman to sit in that leatherette armchair, legs apart, saying "Co-ordinate the sensor sweep on that asteroid debris, Mr Data". The ground was prepared: Trekkies wordwide were ready to accept a woman because after 30 years of men in two-tone Lycra, the time had come. But Ms Bujold has vaporised herself, and Hollywood now says it may go for a man, with the excuse that "There aren't that many authoritative middle-aged women willing to commit themselves".

What? *What?* That may be how life is in LA, Jim, but it's not life as we know it. Possibly West Coast American women in middle age are all either too rich to bother, or too high on HRT and fear-of-fifty. But over here, wherever I look I see ranks of authoritative middle-aged women who would be only too ready to exchange life's fruitless battle for a pearl-handled phaser, a plum-and-black blouson zip jacket and all the Vulcan boy extras they could eat for breakfast.

Given the aggravation faced by middle-aged women in real life, who would not boldly go to LA, to be treated with proper respect by ten million Trekkies? I am sure Ms Ginny Dougary alone, this newspaper's world expert on the fed-up "Executive Tart", could put Paramount in touch with half-a-dozen authoritative women currently close to the end of their tether. Apart from all the ones hinted at in her book who are smarting bitterly at not being Foreign Editor, even the achievers seem less than happy. Eve Pollard has left the *Sunday Express* editorship and would look terrific leaning over the subspace antimatter vibration console; Janet Street-Porter surely cannot *enjoy* being a BBC executive; Liz Forgan would find Romulan Warbirds a lot more docile than Radio 4 listeners. Elsewhere, we have a DPP under attack; Ros Hepplewhite, whose CSA opponents would make Borgs with nebulisers look cuddly; Glenda Jackson, Edwina Currie, Margaret Becken ... that's a short-list already.

OK, so not all of them are actresses; but have you seen *Star Trek* recently? Rumour has it that when Bujold stormed out she was heard to observe that she hadn't been through acting school to play a cartoon character. Well, plenty of us haven't been through acting school at all, but can do a furrowed brow, a good-guy grin, and that impassive look you paste on when a Ferengi commander pops up on the Viewscreen making unreasonable demands. As to physique, may I inform you that only lower-deck bimbos wear tight uniforms these days: officers wear flattering bomber-jackets. Moreover, Captain Picard is short, bald as a coot and supposed to have an artificial heart, and the chief engineer is blind and wears a sensor visor. So being stout, bespectacled and greying should be no bar to the job.

FOR this is, as you have guessed, by way of an application form. Fed-up, dead-end journalist, well-used to the 12-hour days rejected by Ms Bujold, anxious by any means to regain the attention of her own children (at least for one hour a week), seeks Starship command. Beam me up, Scotty, you'll never regret it.

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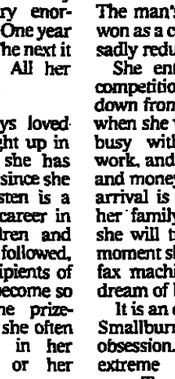
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Putting his cards on your table

Alan Hamilton on the distinguished bridge correspondent of *The Times*

DO NOT be fooled by the fact that, from today, Albert Dormer's weekly column for this newspaper is augmented by a daily dissertation. Our bridge correspondent, whilst setting a regular problem and solution with one hand, is off to New Mexico to defend his World Senior Pairs title with the other.

Bridge partners are traditionally supposed to live in each other's pockets to the extent that they become almost telepathic. Not so Dormer, who has not played a single hand with his team-mate Alan Hiron since they took the title in 1990. And that was the first time they had played together since 1963, when they took the British team championship from the combined opposition of the bridge correspondents of *The Sunday Telegraph*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Observer* and *The Guardian*.


Albert Dormer: Holmes-like analysis

"Our minds work on similar lines. "We don't have huge discussions about bid sequences; we just follow a simple system." Dormer said yesterday from his remote home in Glen Affric, west of Inverness, where he was packing for the world championships in Albuquerque.

Dormer, a 68-year old retired government land economist, secured the prize post on *The Times* in 1990 after reporting world championships for Reuter for 25 years. "*The Times* and *The New York Times* are the most coveted bridge posts in the world; these newspapers have a highly literate readership, so one is able to write for a very discriminating audience." One of his most devoted followers and correspondents is Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, no mean player himself.

Dormer's analytical mind, he confesses, might have something to do with a lifelong love and encyclopaedic knowledge of the stories of Sherlock Holmes. His Saturday columns switch between Holmes explaining to Watson that a lost game was less bad luck and more bad management, and Jeeves consoling Wooster, defeated yet again at the Drones, with a few tips picked up at the Junior Ganymede.

From today, readers of *The Times* will be able to enjoy the benefits of the combined analysis of Holmes and Jeeves. And if they still find themselves in a losing partnership, they may console themselves with the observation of Somerset Maugham that when all else fails — love, sport or ambition — the solace of bridge remains.



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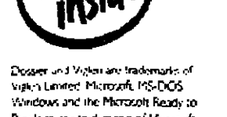
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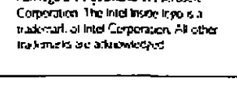
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Matthew Parris



■ Senior officers should not resign but discover and sack those responsible for the débâcle of the Rachel Nickell case

Underneath the grave headline "The Taking of Responsibility", London's *Evening Standard* last week called in its leading article for the resignation of Mrs Barbara Mills, the Director of Public Prosecutions, and Sir Paul Condon, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police.

It was a powerful leading article, and exceptionally well written. The occasion of its fury was the collapse of the prosecution case against Colin Stagg, detained for so long in connection with the murder on Wimbledon Common of Rachel Nickell.

I have no new opinion to offer on that sorry story. As with so much that happens within our country one is nagged by the thought that if any novelist were to offer his publisher such a plot the manuscript would be rejected as wildly fanciful. So incredible is the story that I hesitate to condemn, hoping against hope that there might be more to it than we have heard.

But what if there is not? Is the *Standard* right to say: "We do not have much of a resigning culture any more in public life. Some will feel it harsh to call for the heads of two senior public officials because officials far below *their rank made a* mistake. But how do we prevent *such mistakes in* the future if no one pays the price *for them?*"

I believe this entirely misses its *mark. We do* have a resigning culture in Britain. We are obsessed with resignation. We talk of little else. Half my friends in the Commons seem to have resigned of late, after some press "storm" or other. The cry "Resign!" is parroted whenever anything goes wrong.

Far from being a brave or decisive response, it is a lazy one. So many of these resignations have in common one of two things: either they are not for any failing in the individual's competence at his job, but for something more jolly, usually sex; or they are not for any failing in the individual at all but for a failing lower down in the organisation he heads.

In other words, we go for the wrong person: we go for the easiest and most sensa*tional target. We go for an* individual whose incompetence we need not investi*gate or even assert. It saves* bother. It makes headlines. It requires neither evidence, nor inquiry, nor mental effort. There is no need even to find out what the individ*ual's job really is, or how it* ought to be done, or beneath him, who is responsible for *what. All these would be* tedious lines of inquiry for the slovenly British journalist.

I remember once a Postmaster-General being retired early. The old boy took it badly and protested to the newspapers that as he was not a homosexual or a wife-beater he could see no reason for this summary action.

That he was any good at his job was not something he felt obliged to maintain. Likewise, we all worked ourselves into a great lather about whether David Mellor should resign, though he was universally accounted an excellent minister. A number of his colleagues were and are useless ministers, *but this is* hardly considered to be a matter of public concern.

What we love best in Britain is scandal, gossip and moralising. What we cannot abide is mental effort. So when it comes to resignations we are attracted to the view that it should be someone everybody has heard of and that, if possible, sex, or at least sin, should be involved. Unfortunately, no evidence of immorality in Sir Paul Condon or Mrs Mills has come to light, but at least everyone has heard of them.

That the errors made in the Stagg case may not be their fault is something we would rather brush aside. And we call for their resignations. But it is not a resigning culture Britain lacks; it is a sacking culture. All too often a resignation at the top serves as an unsatisfactory substitute for a sacking down below. We are too quick to call for the heads of big people and too reluctant to demand the heads of little people. Unless I am much mistaken, employment custom and practice in the Metropolitan Police will make it very hard formally to place responsibility for this fiasco on to a finite number of persons (probably very junior to Sir Paul) and dismiss them. Half the Met's problems stem from the way its staff culture tends to sustain, rather than ostracise or reject, its deadbeats and its delinquents.

> It is not a resigning culture that Britain lacks; it is a sacking culture

The failing is not restricted to the police. As you go down the car ramp to Paddington railway station you will see a clock above the entrance. For years this clock has been a good few minutes fast, causing panic for countless departing passengers.

Somebody should check it. If it is still wrong, an immediate inquiry should be made to determine whether anybody is responsible for the timekeeping of the station clock, or whether nobody is.

If somebody is responsible, he should be sacked. If nobody is responsible, then whoever failed to allocate that responsibility should be sacked. This approach, employed throughout Railtrack, will achieve better results but less material for leader-writers, than calling for the resignation of Bob Horton.

Haiti needs much more than a quick invasion to establish democracy in a land of dictators

Clinton risks a necklace of fire

William Rees-Mogg

In the tragic story of Haiti it's hard to tell the good guys from the bad guys, because the stage is so thronged with bad guys. In the present struggle for power, the prospects look equally dark under a murderous military junta, representing the dominant élite, or under a restored President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, representing democracy, mob violence and American military power.

Certainly, the public relations campaign on behalf of President Aristide has convinced nobody except President Clinton and some of his advisers. The State Department does not believe it, the Congress does not believe it, the American people do not believe it, and nor does the rest of the world. It is true that Aristide was elected President of Haiti in February 1991 and that he was thrown out by a military coup seven months later. To that extent he has democratic credentials. Unfortunately, it is also true that in those seven months he governed outside the 1987 constitution, on which he had been elected, packing the supreme court without parliamentary approval, encouraging the assassination of his political opponents and behaving much more like a dictator than a democrat.

President Aristide's celebrated speech on the virtues of the rubber necklace, murdering people with burning tyres, was quoted at some length by Andrew Neil in yesterday's *Sunday Times*: "What a beautiful device! It's cute, it's pretty. It has a good smell — wherever you go you want to inhale it." Even Winnie Mandela never said that. Yet this is the democrat who is to be restored to power in Haiti, backed by the authority of a United Nations resolution, by 20,000 crack American troops, by two aircraft carriers each the size of a football field, and by Bill Clinton himself.

This makes little sense when done in the name of democracy; it might make more sense in the name of colonialism. There are certain countries, of which Haiti is one, which have proved incapable of decent self government over very long periods. Their governments have been tyrannies of one sort or another and they have robbed and murdered their citizens. There has been no security; the police have been merely another criminal gang, usually the largest. In the Dark Ages this was the condition of much of Europe. In the modern world Haiti has been an outstanding case, perhaps the worst.

When such a state of affairs has existed for some generations, something more than an in-and-out job is needed, if there is to be any hope of creating a viable self-governing state. If the US army puts the Marxist former priest back in his palace and then leaves, he will probably again be thrown out by the one real power in Haiti, which is the armed forces. If he manages to split the armed forces and can win the mob back to his side, despite being a foreign nominee, he will no doubt govern as he did before, unconstitutionally and violently. Either way Haiti will merely experience another circle of the merry-go-round of voodoo and terror. Only if the United States were to go in and stay in, treating Aristide as a puppet, would there be any chance of creating a viable independent Haiti, perhaps after a generation's work. That would take great patience, would tie up a large number of people and would cost a lot of money, but it just might succeed. The Americans would then be doing the job of the Roman Empire or the British, transferring the social technology of an advanced civilisation to a troubled society. That after all was their gift to Japan after the Second World War.

Colonialism tends to destroy or distort existing cultures, but the existing culture of Haiti is intolerable for the Haitians, too brutal, too murderous, too destructive of security, too ignorant, too superstitious, too poor. If one took Jeremy Bentham's calculation and aimed for "the greatest happiness of the greatest number", one might accept 25 years of benign American rule for Haiti, if that were on offer. But obviously it is not. In any case, it has been tried before and it did not then succeed.

The American politicians who have been the keenest supporters of an American invasion of Haiti are those who are most opposed to colonialism of any kind, the Black Caucus. They would not for a moment accept that the United States has a civilising mission in Haiti. They simply want President Aristide put back in power, partly because he was once elected, partly because of the murders that have been committed by the junta, and partly because President Aristide is black. The historic defects of the society of Haiti which President Aristide is more likely to continue in venom than cure are not something they recognise. Because of the undoubted injustices which American blacks have suffered, their black political leaders have come to see the world in racist terms. Any black is a victim, even when he threatens his fellow blacks with the cute, pretty and nice-smelling device of a tyre round the neck.

We can understand the historic background but have to accept that the black community in America would profoundly resent a colonial solution in Haiti. But nor would the white community accept it. The Republicans would not accept it because they judge foreign policy in terms of national self interest; they do not want to carry "the white man's burden", even if some of them have a private sympathy with the idea behind it. Liberals do not mind altruism in foreign policy, and they like spending public money, but they reject the idea that a society may not be able to regenerate itself through democratic process. They seem to believe that Haiti with an elected president and a parliament will become as peaceable and law abiding as Connecticut, if not as rich. Least of all does President Clinton believe in colonialism. The responsibilities of empire require a view of the world quite different from his. However greedy and rapacious empires may have been, they can only be run successfully by people who believe in the Stoic virtues, in beauty, in self sacrifice, in patriotism, in the enforcement of a just order. The Victorians taught their young empire builders Horace's imperial odes, the first six in the third book, as the Romans had before them. The President's personality could not be more remote from that world of self-discipline, duty, honour and self-sacrifice.

The policy of invading Haiti has, therefore, no long-term purpose. It will do no lasting good to Haiti; it is no particular credit to American arms; it serves no American national interest; it is disapproved by over 70 per cent of Americans; in international law it is a UN sanction act of aggression, intervening in the domestic politics of a sovereign state; it will not help Bill Clinton in the November elections — he will be seen merely as a flag-wagging draft dodger.

No one will benefit, but a dangerous doctrine will have been established. The *UN* was created to protect individual states against foreign aggression, not to impose or even to defend constitutional democracy inside the borders of those individual countries. The Clinton doctrine is that a purely internal coup against a constitutional government should be treated as though it were an external act of aggression, and in the same way should give a foreign power the right to intervene. This new doctrine will allow the United States to form American, and often ignorant, judgments of other nations' internal affairs, and then use force to back them up. That is a certain way to make the United States feared and disliked by other countries.

Paddy's people scent power

The Lib Dems are dithering over a coalition with Labour, says Peter Riddell



Paddy Ashdown would love to sit around the Cabinet table in a Labour-Liberal Democrat Government headed by Tony Blair. If Labour fails to win an overall Commons majority at the next election, Mr Blair would consider having Mr Ashdown as a colleague. There will be no electoral pacts, or even formal pre-election discussions. Both leaders will avoid the question, as Mr Ashdown sought unconvincingly to do yesterday. A polite distance will be maintained. There are no longer substantial ideological or personal barriers. But are the Liberal Democrats as a party ready to accept coalition politics?

That possibility has arisen before and each time there have been tensions between the leadership's willingness to negotiate and the doubts of the rank-and-file. After the Tories lost their majority in February 1974, Sir Edward Heath held talks with Jeremy Thorpe, but most MPs opposed any deal. Three years later, Sir David Steel negotiated a pact to sustain the minority Callaghan Government in the Commons in 1977-78, despite the deep misgivings of the rank-and-file. A minority of Liberal activists also opposed the formation of the Alliance with the SDP in 1981.

Sir David never disguised his impatience with the activists' reluctance to play for higher stakes nationally. Mr Ashdown has been torn between his desire to be unlike Sir David, by keeping in close touch with the rank-and-file, and his national ambitions. The tensions have been underlined by the Liberal Democrats' very successes, holding 4,600 council seats and control or influence over local authorities in wide swathes of southern England.

Most delegates gathering in Brighton yesterday for the party's annual conference do not feel at all defensive. They — a high proportion are councillors — are doing well locally and see no reason to change their approach merely because Mr Blair has become Labour leader.

The mirror image of this strength locally has been weakness nationally. Apart from Mr Ashdown and a few others, there is a political vacuum at the centre. Many MPs remain the energetic local populists they had to be in order to be elected in the first place: Liz Lynne, Nigel Jones and Nick Harvey are egregious examples from the 1992 intake. Policymaking is often driven by vested interests and is inconsistent.

These contrasts have been highlighted by the arrival of Mr Blair. He shares many of the aspirations which the former SDP (in many cases former Labour) wing of the Liberal Democrats have been fighting for since the 1970s. There are differences over electoral reform and the influence of the unions. But Lord Jenkins of Hillhead and other SDP founders would be happy to see Mr Blair in Downing Street. They have abandoned the long-standing doctrine of equidistance. This often resulted in ambiguities nationally but was essential to the party's local successes since it enabled candidates to say different things in different parts of the country.

But equidistance is no longer credible nationally. It is hard for any Liberal Democrats to say they want to keep the Tories in office. But the implications are uncomfortable because of these local tactics; many Liberal Democrat supporters are anti-Labour as well as anti-Tory.

Mr Ashdown has sent out a series of signals. Initially, he was irritated by the enthusiasm for Mr Blair expressed by former SDP leaders such as Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank. But he indicated a shift of approach in his interview in *The Times* last Thursday. He welcomed the election of Mr Blair as good for the Liberal Democrats. But he refused to rule out support for what he oddly described as a "non-monopolistic Conservative Government". Later he modified that by saying it was "difficult to conceive of working with the Conservative Party of the sort that we have at present".

Yesterday, he moved back and said it was all a question for the future. Labour was shrouded in the mist, its shape, course and colours all unclear. Mr Blair is, of course, still largely untested and no one knows how far he will succeed in changing Labour. But Mr Ashdown's stance only postpones the inevitable abandonment of equidistance and, in the short-term, fuels media stories about confusion and splits.

His assertion of the Liberal Democrats' independent role — "full steam ahead" as he put it — will please the faithful in Brighton. Yet even if the conference is judged, as he wishes, in terms of the motions debated and approved, there are still questions about whether the party is serious about national power. It is not just frivolous resolutions such as the abolition of the monarchy and the decriminalisation of some drugs which are a gift to the tabloids. More important is the incoherence on central items of policy.

Mr Ashdown himself is prepared to think radically in his new pamphlet *Making Change Our Ally*: for instance, recognising some of the advantages of the Tory changes in public services and retaining the independence of schools and hospitals while also involving the private sector. But while his party is hostile to central government, it remains enthusiastic about local government.

The official motion this week will call for the reintegration of grant-maintained schools under local authority control. The tax and benefits paper, described as electorally self-destructive by the parliamentary candidates, has been put forward with no discussion of the public expenditure implications, despite Mr Ashdown's promise of a menu with prices. He has been criticised internally for taking an insufficient grip on policymaking.

If the Liberal Democrats want to be more than a successful force in local government, they have to change their approach to national politics and policymaking. Mr Ashdown needs to spell out the implications this week, rather than just reinforcing the activists' belief in their party's exclusive virtues.

Hurd instinct

EURO-SCEPTICS can take heart. The Foreign Secretary appears to have abandoned his green Austrian Loden coat, which has become as much of a trademark as his voice or his woolly pullovers. This autumn he will don an English country coat made of Scottish tweed.



Douglas Hurd in Loden coat

Within the past few weeks, Douglas Hurd has taken delivery of the new coat from his Pimlico tailor, Redwood & Feller. The weather has not yet turned bitter enough for the coat to have emerged from its wardrobe, but stylists on the political stage believe the new garment heralds a swing from Europe.

Redwood & Feller refuses to discuss the cost of the coat but the company admits that Hurd, a regular among the many MPs who cross its threshold, has collected. "It is a Scottish tweed coat, the classic English gentleman's country coat, a very traditional single-breasted garment in Lovat-coloured check and smooth over the shoulders," says a spokesman.

An old hand on the far Right pointed out that Hurd had recently been spotted sporting a double-breasted blazer with "Guards-like" buttons. "It might be the start of a new image. He seems to be coming in from the cold," he said.

Comment comes from Sir Hardy Amies, dressmaker to the Queen: "I always liked the Loden coat and wear one myself. But I have full confidence in Douglas Hurd's taste in clothes. He stands out among a rather motley lot."

Chilly Cooper

UNTHINKABLE perhaps, but there were very nearly two Jilly Coopers. Lady Antonia Fraser, the historian, believes she could have been one of them — in terms of the blockbuster market. In the autumn edition of *The Author*, she cites as evidence her first book, *Lucy and Rollo*, which I understand she wrote at a tender age.

It is a love story about a couple who spend their time galloping on horseback across Kent. It ends with a proposal from Rollo to Lucy: "Shall we mingle ourselves together even as our horses' reins are mingled?" Cooper is far from flattered by the comparison, saying Fraser once told her that she had never read her books. "She obviously hasn't read one because that passage sounds more Barbara Cartland than me."

● *Ruminating on politics the other day with Lord Forte's daughter, Olga Polizzi, at a West End restaurant was Baroness Thatcher's whisky-drinking friend, Lord McAlpine. "One of my great problems is that the person who runs Macallan's malt whisky, which I love, is a dead ringer for John Major," he said. "And I'd prefer to be able to like him."*

Cat-napped

HUMPHREY the Downing Street cat has been on the prowl again and nerves are jangling in Whitehall. He was blamed for the disappearance earlier this year of four robins from a window box at Number 10 and for savaging a duck in St James's Park — where he was spotted again last week.

A passer-by thought the prowling feline looked lost and phoned the number on his collar. He was put through to the Cabinet Office. "The guy who answered gave me the third degree," he says. "He wanted to know where I was calling from. How long had I been with the cat? Where was he? How was he? He treated me as if I was going to kidnap the creature. I expected the SAS to arrive at any minute."

The Cabinet Office says it was simply concerned for Humphrey: "He's not usually that far afield, you see. He's middle-aged and most of the time he is flat-out in reception."

● *It has taken 85 years, but Sir Stephen Spender has finally won his first literary prize. He will fly to Italy next week to accept a little-known award for literary merit, the Palermo Prize. "I've never won a prize before," he says. "I thought it a practical joke when I heard I'd won but I'm delighted and I love Italy. My son lives there."*



Topping up

MORE on the Venetian banquet hosted by Viscount Norwich last week for the Venice in Peril Fund at Salso's restaurant in Knightsbridge. Gamely tucking in was Peter Boizot, founder of the PizzaExpress chain, which donates 25p to the fund for every Veneziana eaten.

"We've worked out that the Venezianas we've sold would stretch in a line from Soho to Lyons if you go through the Channel Tunnel," he said. "That's a lot of dough."

Dry cleaning

TWO OF LONDON society's top ladies are ruffled. They have been without a bath for days because their water supply has been cut off.

Road workers cut through the water mains to the home of Liz Brewer, the society hostess, just as her friend Soraya Khashoggi, former wife of the billionaire arms dealer Adnan, arrived to stay. "It was terribly embarrassing. Soraya came to stay with me because builders were at her house and she couldn't have a bath there," says Brewer. "We had to go out to parties but we couldn't have a shower. We couldn't even flush the loo." Eventually the immaculate pair moved to a nearby hotel. "Soraya bought some Krug champagne to cheer us up and at one point it looked as if we would have to shower in that," says Brewer, who threatens to sue all and sundry.



Soraya Khashoggi: no baths

P·H·S

ROCKS AND HARD PLACES

Ashdown managed to hit both yesterday

Paddy Ashdown, leader of the Liberal Democrats, last night portrayed a political seascape in which the Tories were heading for the rocks and Labour was trapped in a fog. Trying to steer his party in a straight line between the two vessels, he seems to have lost his bearings. Yesterday he managed, by a feat of misnavigation, to run both into the fog and then onto the rocks.

The great argument within the Liberal Democrats, as they meet at Brighton this week, is over the question of "equidistance". Should the centre party despise the other two parties equally and be prepared to do a deal with either in the event of a hung Parliament? Or should it accept reality and recognise that it has far more in common with Labour than the Conservatives? Passions run high among activists on this issue; but in the space of one weekend, Mr Ashdown managed to alienate both sides.

First, in a pre-conference briefing, he said that, while he could not predict the circumstances after the next election, "it is very difficult to conceive of the possibility of working with the Conservative Party of the sort that we have at present. We are dedicated to the removal of that party." Then, in his address to the conference, he drew back from this apparent disavowal of equidistance, saying that his party was the enemy of "old-style Labourism" quite as much as of "new-style doctrinaire Conservatism".

This, if Tony Blair succeeds, may turn out to be a false dichotomy. The product on offer then would be new-style Labourism, which is not likely to be much different from Liberal Democracy. Former Social Democrats, such as Shirley Williams and Roy Jenkins, see this possibility already, and can barely wait to embrace the social democratic Labour Party they always wanted, albeit across the political divide. But former Liberals, particularly in the North of England, still see Labour as the traditional enemy, as indeed it is in local elections.

This is the perennial problem of any centre party which has different opponents in different parts of the country. But nationally it no longer makes sense to pretend that the Liberal Democrats could team up with the Conservatives after an election. Assuming that the Tories lost enough seats to deprive them of a majority, the centre party would not be thanked for maintaining them in power nonetheless. Voters might see this as a reversal of their intentions.

It would equally fanciful for Mr Ashdown actually to endorse Mr Blair's Labour Party. For a start, Mr Blair has yet to prove that he can fashion his party in his own image. He may fail to do so. But Mr Ashdown could, over the next year or two, concede enough points of common interest to begin to build with Labour a progressive front in some policy areas against the Tories.

Already one Liberal Democrat sits on Labour's Social Justice Commission, and a Labour MP, Frank Field, sits on the centre party's equivalent body examining the future of the welfare state. Fruitful co-operation could also be forged on constitutional reform, a policy on which Liberal Democrats have always been in the vanguard, and which needs much practical thought before the next election. The two parties may still have different views on proportional representation: but there should be room for agreement on how to implement devolution, freedom of information, reform of the House of Lords and the adoption of a Bill of Rights.

The centre party still has a future, however successful Mr Blair proves to be. Political geography dictates that, in some parts of the country, it will be Liberal Democrats who pick up seats from defeated Conservatives. And Mr Ashdown can woo many disaffected former Tories by promising to moderate any future Labour government. But first he has to put aside the fiction that in today's political world he is strictly neutral.

TALKING HEADS

Public school heads have an important role in education debate

The Headmasters' Conference (HMC) convening in Bournemouth carries a weight of responsibility. Because of the status of their schools as academic flagships, the pronouncements of these heads are taken seriously. Their image as upholders of academic standards has grown as state schools have plunged lower in public confidence. As the league tables show, very few state schools can hope to compete with the best public schools in examination successes. But it is not only the ability to pile up high grades at GSCE and A level that evokes respect.

Most parents are aware that the examination achievements of the finest public schools have much to do with the quality of their pupil intake: ruthless selection of the most able and highly motivated is likely to make academic success easier. At least as important is that these schools maintain traditional beliefs in the value of education.

Much of the public school ethos developed with the practice of boarding, so children's character and philosophy of life were always regarded to be as much the school's responsibility as their progress towards qualifications. Now boarding itself seems to be going out of favour with parents, but there is more need than ever for a form of schooling that develops the moral and spiritual side of children's personalities. The considered opinions of the HMC could be very valuable in a debate that is urgently needed within the maintained system: how can schools better equip children with the qualifications they need to earn a living, without losing sight of wider social and cultural values?

It is not surprising that many heads of public schools have expressed fears that the breadth of schooling may be sacrificed to a narrow emphasis on examination passes. Their concerns about the deeper needs of children for aesthetic and intellectual development are important. But it would also be possible to see this more relaxed attitude towards qualifications as a reflection of the ease with which their own pupils achieve them. It is necessary to ask how universally applicable recommendations are which emanate from schools blessed with parents who support their exacting requirements.

Because public schools have largely held to traditional styles of teaching and standards of discipline, they have provided a repository of educational practice which sometimes seemed in danger of becoming extinct. The HMC has exerted a useful influence on the national curriculum, making it more flexible and thus better able to challenge the very able. Their independence from the state curriculum will continue to provide a valuable check on its effectiveness.

As well as rigorous teaching, the public schools have also sustained single-sex education. Many boys' public schools are now admitting girls, at least into their sixth forms, but the concept of the sexes being taught separately has been overwhelmingly vindicated by academic outcomes. Over the past few years, the HMC has offered suggestions about the reform of sixth-form education and the role of moral principles in the classroom. Its statements this week may be contentious. But given the wealth of sound educational experience from which they arise, they will be worthy of a careful hearing.

UNSPORTING FOWLS

Game birds must be bred to fly up, play up and play the game

The pheasant is a pretty bird, particularly when roast and served with bread sauce. But not even its greatest admirers have accused it of being intelligent. It does not jink like the woodcock, dodge like a snipe or hurtle towards the guns barking "go-back" like the grouse. Until now its reaction when startled has been to accelerate steeply into the air making a flap and cackle, and so providing a sporting but seldom an impossible target.

Now there is a disturbing report that British pheasants are growing wise to the game. They are no longer flying high enough or fast enough to make a decent shot to impress the gallery, and the longer-lived ones are too lazy or too fat (or too cunning) to take off. As the French gun was said (by a legendary snob) to have replied when shouted at not to shoot at a running pheasant: "*D'accord*. I wait till 'e sits down."

A perverse Darwinianism of the survival of the unfittest seems to be working its natural deselection. Wild pheasants still behave with their traditional panic, rising high and fast. But most modern pheasants are hatched in batteries by game farms, reared in pens and released into the wild in time for the opening of the pheasant season. So they think of humans as their friends and feeders, not as unfamiliar enemies likely to blast them with hot pellets. Accordingly, only the high-flying wild pheasants get shot, and the non-flying farmed pheasants are ignored by the one-upgunship of the shoot, and survive to lay the eggs to breed next season's cohort of unsporting birds.

So wilder, fitter birds are being imported from France. British country sports have been a rich game pie of hunger and class, hunting for the pot and caste tests of skill, since William the Conqueror introduced his game laws. There is little danger left for humans in hunting, except from the other guns, now that wild boar and bear are off the menu. And the latest inventions by gunsmiths of over-and-under guns and double choking for the clay-pigeon fanciers have increased their range and accuracy; though clay-pigeon soup is disappointing.

It has never been easier to shoot a pheasant. And so, the hunter's exclusive skill has gone out of the sport. (It will never be a wholly fair sport until pheasants are bred with ground-to-air missiles under their wings or some other form of retaliation.) At the same time the mass market shows little taste for pheasant. The common larder skills of plucking and gutting are forgotten, and most shoppers in supermarkets are suspicious of the strong flavour of game and nonplussed by any bird that does not come already dressed and frozen. Many shoots now have to bury or burn their pheasant carcases because prices are so low.

On all precedent, the guns will find ways to make their sport smarter and more exclusive. Lovers of pheasant can sharpen their carving-knives for the glut of birds. And for the first time since they arrived as Asiatic immigrants two centuries ago, England's unsporting pheasants may cackle that they are more than just fine feathers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Building on the Lloyd's scheme

From Dr Mary Archer

Sir, Your report, "Lloyd's names' hardship fund turns hard-nosed" (September 16), does not do Lloyd's justice. Since its inception the hardship scheme has had nearly 2,300 applications from names. A total of almost 500 individual agreements either have been or are close to being completed. I submit that this is an impressive record for what is necessarily a very detailed and painstaking process that usually takes many months to complete.

Moreover, we expect many more applications to be made before the end of this year. After that, the scheme will continue to be available as one alternative for those names who genuinely cannot pay their debts. Ultimately, it is anticipated that more than 3,000 Lloyd's members will enter into agreements under the scheme. Lloyd's new financial recovery department will now build upon the success of the hardship scheme.

Finally, you mention the figure of £17,600 which the scheme "provides" as annual income. In case this gives the impression that Lloyd's has funds to award (which it does not), I would point out that this is the minimum level below which Lloyd's does not ask for payments out of income.

Where income exceeds the guideline £17,600 (plus tax, National Insurance and mortgage or rental costs), a payment out of income may be agreed — although invariably for a three-year period only. I wonder how many people would agree with your suggestion that this means living "close to the breadline"?

Yours faithfully,
MARY ARCHER (Chairman, Lloyd's Members' Hardship Committee),
Lloyd's,
One Lime Street, EC3.
September 16.

Church modernisation

From Mr T. G. Oliver

Sir, Those who have read Alice Thomas Ellis's *Serpent on the Rock* ("Faith on the rocks", Books, September 5) will agree that it is a complex work in which the negative forces now active on the Roman Catholic Church are comprehensively exposed. It provides a revelation that will cause many Roman Catholics to reconsider their continuing commitment to the faith.

Radical feminism, goddess worship, wayward clerics and the excesses of Church modernisation or "reordering" are scrutinised from Ellis's traditionalist point of view, reflecting and giving voice to the largely silent majority of beleaguered Catholics.

Heading the list of questionable Church innovations, she cites the granite structure that has replaced the high altar in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, Northern Ireland, and refers to this as the "Horns of Hathor". Hathor being the cow-goddess worshipped in pagan Egypt around 3,000 BC. The presence of this monstrosity in a Christian cathedral has never been explained.

Perhaps the eminent Cardinal Daly, or the sculptor, or the chairperson who agreed to its acceptance on consecrated ground will seize this opportunity to explain which aspect of Christianity is reflected by a design which looks like a pair of elephant's tusks rising from the ground. Certainly, there is a great mystery at the heart of Armagh Cathedral.

Yours faithfully,
T. G. OLIVER,
Sunnyside, Raddenstile Lane,
Exmouth, Devon.
September 13.

Home for Elgar centre

From Mr Anthony Rhys Davies

Sir, One solution to the siting of the proposed new Elgar centre (letters, September 15) is to *bury* it (or partially so), covering it with a grass roof and lighting it with natural daylight from above. This would solve the problem of scale and also save enormously on running costs.

If this is not an acceptable solution, I feel sure that Elgar would approve of an alternative site: adjacent to the Worcester racecourse, where he probably spent more of his time than in the cottage.

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY RHYS DAVIES,
The Grove, Heywood Lane,
Tenby, Pembrokeshire.
September 14.

Slippery slope

From Mr Tom Birkett

Sir, Mr Michael Marland (letter, September 16) cannot have heard the words "mightier still and mightier" while he was listening to the last night of the Proms and simultaneously reading that sterling had fallen through the two Swiss franc barrier. But do not "wider still and wider", A. C. Benson's actual words, encapsulate in simple terms the rejection of narrow-band exchange rates?

Yours faithfully,
TOM BIRKETT,
5 Silverbeech Road, Wallasey, Wirral.
September 16.

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 071-782 5046.

The future of women part-time GPs

From Mr Geoffrey Martin

Sir, Your report that a European Union ruling will force hundreds of women part-time GPs out of their jobs (September 14) gives the impression of being another instance of needless Euro-bashing. As you correctly point out, the relevant EU directive, agreed by health ministers in 1986, gave national governments eight years to bring forward proposals to protect practising NHS GPs as well as the principle of part-time training.

Yet there is nothing in the directive which would prevent practising part-time GPs in the NHS from carrying on after January 1, 1995, the date it comes fully into force. And if the Government wants to cater for different categories of GPs in the NHS it is perfectly entitled to do so.

Yours sincerely,
GEOFFREY MARTIN
(Head of Representation, UK),
The European Commission,
8 Storey's Gate, SW1.
September 15.

From Dr J. S. Robinson

Sir, As your leading article, "The penalised part-timer" (September 14), pointed out, from January 1, 1995, only general practitioners who hold a vocational training certificate in general practice may be allowed to work under the NHS. If the European Union directive is interpreted to the letter, this seems to mean that GP assistants, doctors working under the retainer scheme (usually female doctors taking time out of work to have children) and GP locums who are not vocationally trained, will have to cease work from January 1.

In many cases these doctors will either be women in the 45-65 age group, returning to general practice after having families, or GPs in their late fifties and early sixties who have taken early retirement and at present work as locums to their old practice. They know the patients, the staff and the way the surgery works.

Although it is difficult to assess the exact numbers of doctors who might be affected, as no list exists, a recent survey by Kent Local Medical Committee showed that 37 per cent of assistants and 19 per cent of locums, covering 4,171 surgery sessions, would be prevented from working. This translates into a figure of 83,420 patient consultations per year.

It is clearly ridiculous that these highly skilled people should be prevented from doing their job, particularly at a time when recruitment to general practice vocational training is at its lowest ebb since the scheme started.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN S. ROBINSON
(Clerk), Kent Local
Medical Committee,
Suite 1, First Floor,
Tenacre Court,
Harrietsham, Kent.
September 15.

From Dr Pamela Ruben

Sir, It is not only non-vocationally trained part-timers who fear for their future. I have worked full time in general practice, as an assistant, for 12 years. The vocational training scheme involves two years' residence in hospital as a house officer and one year as a trainee in general practice.

When I began my family, vocational training was not mandatory, nor was this foreseen. When it was introduced I had three children and could not disappear from their lives for two years as a junior hospital doctor.

I am now a busy, experienced doctor who does not know whether her career is about to end on January 1. My practice does not know how it would cope. This is clearly in no one's interest.

Yours sincerely,
PAMELA RUBEN,
Stockwell Group Practice,
107 Stockwell Road, SW9.
September 16.

Children's play

From Mr Steve Parry

Sir, In his letter of September 14, Christopher Laing, Chairman of the National Playing Fields Association, welcomes the acceptance of responsibility for children's play by the Department of National Heritage, and Councillor Chris Heinitz, of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities (letter, same day), calls, quite rightly, for adequate resources and a national body that champions children's play.

The prominence you have given to this issue must be welcomed, particularly as the physical environment is a major factor in the social and educational development of young people.

In examining what needs to be done and who should take responsibility for action it should be remembered that school grounds are often the first public environment in which a child spends significant amounts of time — nearly a third of a school day. These grounds, normally barren Tarmac and nothing else, cover 125,000 acres in England and Wales.

Children's play cannot be seen in isolation from educational activity, including physical education, or from social development. School grounds must be transformed into stimulating, environmentally friendly areas that provide an educational, recreational, and social resource.

Such land needs to be seen as an outdoor classroom for school and local community alike.

Yours faithfully,
STEVE PARRY (Co-ordinator),
Ripples (working for change in the physical environment),
Office A104-105, The F & V Market,
New Covent Garden Market,
Nine Elms Lane, SW8.

Interest rate control

From Mr Robin Hill

Sir, Your leading article ("The Clarke conundrum", September 13) rightly says that most people will now assume that interest rates will be moving up for the foreseeable future. So as usual, just when things are improving, the fiscal authorities will make life more difficult for the real wealth-earners of the country: those people who are engaged in selling goods or services for foreign currency.

Would it not be possible for these businesses (including tourist enterprises) to be protected against any rise in interest rates? Firms that were able to show they were earning from abroad should be given access to cheaper money to develop their capacity. This would avoid the blunt instrument of the credit squeeze from killing the goose that lays the golden egg.

To use another metaphor, why pour growth retardant on the green shoots, when they need the opposite?

Yours faithfully,
ROBIN HILL,
Hillside, Fifield,
Oxford.
September 16.

Beggars' needs

From the Director of Crisis

Sir, Your report (September 14) based on our research on begging does not reflect the degradation and desperation of the 145 beggars we spoke to. The vast majority make no more than £10-£20 in a day. Weekly income from all sources was difficult to estimate as people tend to beg on and off.

Those who were receiving benefits said they simply couldn't cope. With income support of between £27.50 and £45.70 a week, it can be very hard for homeless people to budget. Food cannot be stored or cooked and what possessions people do have can be easily stolen or lost.

Everyone wants begging to end, especially beggars. They have had jobs and homes in the past, they have trades and professions. It's in everyone's interests to get them back into a job and a home.

Yours faithfully,
MARK SCOTHERN,
Director, Crisis,
7 Whitechapel Road, E1.
September 14.

Wrong island

From Major M. Q. Fraser

Sir, Your article by Nigel Hawkes headed "The last mystery of Pitcairn" (August 31) was supported by a coloured picture of a coral reef with a narrow sweep of beach backed by flat green land. It was captioned as showing Pitcairn.

The picture is in fact of the east beach on Henderson, a coral atoll pushed up 50 feet above the sea. Pitcairn is a volcanic mountain rising precipitously to 1,100 feet.

The impression resulting from this error — that Fletcher Christian's choice of refuge was an idyllic tropical isle, with easy sheltered access and flat negotiable land — makes a mockery of how he and the mutineers so cleverly hid from the long arm of the Navy for the rest of their lives by choosing an impenetrable deserted rock.

When the Navy did visit Pitcairn in their search they rejected it as there was no landing and no access up the 200ft cliffs, or so they thought.

Yours faithfully,
M. Q. FRASER
(British representative on the US Manned Orbiting Laboratory mission to both islands, 1966),
Craigantaggart,
By Dunkeld,
Perthshire.
September 7.

Flying pigs

From Mrs Phyllida Stewart-Roberts

Sir, PHS (Diary, September 9) had Sir Evelyn de Rothschild and Lord Romsey promoting pink elephants and flying pigs.

Enthusiasts for this latter genre — among whom none is more passionate than I — will have been thrilled to learn that we can renew our acquaintance with Katherine Tozer's charming animals.

Does either of them by any chance have news of Pigwiggin — the flying pig who rose, to coin a phrase, from humble beginnings to direct the traffic at the coronation of King George VI? I long to meet *him* again.

Yours faithfully,
PHYLLIDA STEWART-ROBERTS,
Mount Harry Lodge,
Offham,
Lewes, Sussex.
September 12.

Glass palace for the South Bank

From Mr Peter J. M. Wayne

Sir, At last, waves of enlightenment seem to be sweeping over the South Bank's shores ("Palace of glass chosen to create South Bank sparkle", September 9).

Sir Richard Rogers has come up with an undulating and reflective *grand projet* to rival any arts complex in the world. Time and time again we have seen his visionary schemes crushed beneath a welter of philistinism and parsimony. At Paternoster Square — *still* a windswept no-man's land — he fought valiantly but hopelessly against a neo-Roman piece of kitsch. At the National Gallery, a Rogers scheme which would have provided almost twice the current *hanging space was rejected in favour* of a piece of architectural wit, more suited to commercial usage in Thamesmead than the northwest corner of *Trafalgar Square*.

An architect of such international renown, already entrusted with the rejuvenation of the Arno in Florence, and the creative genius behind buildings as startling and innovative as any, should surely be given the freedom and resources he needs to prepare the South Bank for the forthcoming Millennium celebrations. Supporters of the Hayward Gallery could put the future of their much maligned masterpiece in no safer hands. Sir Brian Corby and his panel of judges are to be congratulated for their imaginative decision.

I remain, Sir, yours sincerely,
PETER J. M. WAYNE,
HM Prison Brixton,
Jebb Avenue, SW2.
September 9.

Colour blindness

From Mr David Williams

Sir, With reference to Dr Trisha Greenhalgh's article ("Dangers of not seeing red, September 13), I think it is time we updated our outdated colour-coded safety systems on an international scale. Tube maps, tennis balls and arrows are one thing, flares and lights from distressed mariners, traffic signals (as pointed out) and car rear lights are another.

In 27 years of lifeboat service I saw numerous instances of confusion arising from the misinterpretation of coloured lights.

Red for danger, stop or trouble, and green for go have been internationally accepted for a long while, yet, as Dr Greenhalgh points out, these are the very two colours that can cause a severe problem to an enormous number of people.

I am sure that those who established the pattern did not realise the consequences of their actions, or have the statistical data we now have to say red and green are probably the worst two colours to represent danger or safety.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID WILLIAMS,
25 Cremer Street,
Sheringham, Norfolk.

Penny-wise

From Miss S. R. A. Lewis

Sir, I question Professor H. MacL. Currie's suggestion (letter, September 15) that goods are commonly priced "awkwardly", e.g., at 99p, "to prevent theft by dishonest sales assistants". The intention is surely to persuade shoppers they are getting a bargain.

He gives examples of 99p, £1.99 and £2.99, but I am typing this letter on a word processor costing £399 — which sounds so very much cheaper than £400. Professor Currie will surely not imagine that I gave a sales assistant £400 and received £1 in change.

This practice is not new. I remember my mother buying ribbon at "1s 11¾d the yard" (pronounced "one and eleven-three", by the way) — to a careful housewife very much cheaper than 2s.

Yours faithfully,
SHEILA R. LEWIS,
701 Grenville House,
Dolphin Square, SW1.

Food for thought

From Mr Thomas Beattie

Sir, The British Embassy in Moscow has always stood on the Sophia Embankment. According to the 1993 FCO Diplomatic Service List, it is now called Sausage Embankment (Sosiiskaya instead of Sofiiskaya).

Is this a misprint, or is it yet another sign of penetration of Russia by Western hamburger culture?

Yours sincerely,
THOMAS BEATTIE,
Cairnside, Kirkland,
Moniaive, Dumfriesshire.
September 13.

From Mr A. J. T. Willoughby

Sir, At a recent family picnic, I was handed a packet of salami sausage. The ingredients listing read as follows: "Pork, Salt, Spices, Dextrose, Flavour Enhancer: 621, Maltodextrin, Preservative: Sodium Nitrite. *Not less than 100% meat*" (my italics).

How many additives can one include in a meat product before it loses its right to that description?

Yours faithfully,
A. J. T. WILLOUGHBY,
3 Northstead Road, SW2.
September 13.

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BALMORAL CASTLE

September 16: The Queen was represented by the Duke of Edinburgh (Colonel-in-Chief, Intelligence Corps) at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Lives of those who died on the Mull of Kintyre on June 2, 1994, which was held in St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast, this evening.

The Prince of Wales was represented by Colonel William Brownlow (Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for County Down).

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

September 17: The Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, and Patron, the Scottish Fiddle Orchestra, accompanied by Commander Timothy Laurence RN, this evening attended a Concert at the Royal Concert Hall, Glasgow, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr James Shields).

ST JAMES'S PALACE

September 17: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The Parachute Regiment, this morning attended a parachute drop and Memorial Service at Ginkelheide, The Netherlands, to commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Battle of Arnhem.

His Royal Highness this afternoon attended a Luncheon in the Town Hall, Arnhem.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The Parachute Regiment, this evening attended a Reception at the Hartenstein, Oosterbeek.

Major Patrick Tabor was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE

September 17: The Duke of Kent, Patron, the Distinguished Conduct Medal League, this afternoon attended a Muster, at Wellington Barracks, Birdcage Walk, London SW1.

Captain Alexander Tetley was in attendance.

BALMORAL CASTLE

September 18: Divine Service was held in Crathie Parish Church this morning.

The Reverend Marion Dodd preached the Sermon.

The Queen was represented by Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew Wilson at the Battle of Britain Thanksgiving Service which was held in Westminster Abbey this morning.

The Prince of Wales was represented by Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Johns.

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His Royal Highness this afternoon attended a Reception at the Hartenstein, Oosterbeek, given by Sir David Miers (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Kingdom of The Netherlands).

Major Patrick Tabor was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Miss Kate Adie, broadcaster, 49; Mr T.J.A. Colman, Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk, 65; Captain R.C. Cunningham-Jardine, Lord Lieutenant of Dumfries and Galloway, 63; Mr Justin Dukes, former managing-director, Channel 4 Television, 53; Mr Michael Elphick, actor, 48; Captain Jim Fox, pentathlete, 53; the Right Rev H.R. Gough, former Archbishop of Sydney and Primate of Australia, 89; Mr Richard Gray, director, Manchester City Art Galleries, 43; Mr Jeremy Irons, actor, 46.

Sir Robert McCrindle, former MP, 65; Mr I.D. McGowan, librarian, National Library of Scotland, 49; the Very Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey, 80; the Countess of Mar, 54; Mr C.E. Martin, headmaster, Bristol Grammar School, 55; Miss Sheila Minto, civil servant, 86; Mr Austin Mitchell, MP and broadcaster, 60.

Mrs Penelope Mortimer, writer, 76; Mr Pete Murray, broadcaster, 66; Mr Derek Nimmo, actor, 62; Dr H.J. Plenderleith, antiquarian, 96; Professor Ferry Porsche, car designer, 85; Miss Zandra Rhodes, fashion designer, 54; Dr George Barclay Richardson, warden, Keble College, Oxford, 70; the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, 65; Professor Sir Geoffrey Slaney, surgeon, 72; Twiggy, former model and actress, 45; Professor C.J. White, director, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, 64; Sir Leonard Williams, former director-general for energy, Commission of the European Communities, 75; Dr Arthur Wills, composer, 68; Judge Harold Wilson, 63.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Robert Sanderson, Bishop of Lincoln 1660-63, Sheffield, 1587; William Kirby, rector and entomologist, Witnesham, Suffolk, 1759; Henry Brougham, Baron Brougham and Vaux, Lord Chancellor 1830-34, Edinburgh, 1778; Hartley Coleridge, writer, Kingsdown, Bristol, 1796; Lajos Kossuth, Hungarian patriot, Zemplin, 1802; William Dyce, painter, Aberdeen, 1806; George Cadbury, Quaker, social reformer and chocolate manufacturer, Birmingham, 1839; William Lever, 1st Viscount Leverhulme, soap manufacturer and philanthropist, Bolton, 1851; Arthur Rackham, illustrator, London, 1867; Giuseppe Saragat, President of Italy 1964-71, Turin, 1898.

DEATHS: Lazare Hoche, general, Wetzlar, Germany, 1797; Meyer Amschel Rothschild, founder of the banking house, Frankfurt am Main, 1812; James Garfield, 20th American President 1881, died of his wounds after being shot on July 2, Elberon, New Jersey, 1881; Masaoka Shiki, poet, Tokyo, 1902; Thomas Barnardo, founder of the homes bearing his name, Surbiton, Surrey, 1905; Miles (Stella Maria Sarah) Franklin, Australian novelist, 1954; Sir David Low, cartoonist, London, 1963.

American inventor Melville Bissell patented the carpet sweeper, 1876.

The world's first beauty contest was held in Belgium and won by 18 year old Bertha Soucaret from Guadeloupe, 1888.

William Joyce, known as Lord Haw-Haw, was sentenced to hang for treason, 1945.



KIERAN DOHERTY

Neel Tikkoo and Laura Palumbo, the daughter of Lord Palumbo, leaving St Margaret's Church, Westminster, after their wedding on Saturday

Marriages

Commander D. Aldrich, RN, and Mrs M. Williams

The marriage took place in the Seychelles, on Friday, September 16, of David Aldrich, widower of Rosie, and Mary Williams, widow of Vivian, following a service of blessing and a reception in London.

Mr J.C. Marlar and Miss P.J. Higgins

The marriage took place on Saturday at Our Lady and St Edmund's Church, Malvern, of Mr James Marlar, younger son of Mr *Robin Marlar, of Chilworth*, Surrey, and Mrs Wendy Marlar, of Woolhope, Herefordshire, to Miss Patricia Higgins, younger daughter of the late Mr Bernard Higgins and of Mrs Bernard Higgins, of Storridge, Worcestershire. Father Austin Gurr and the Rev David Coulton officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr George Higgins, was attended by Lucy Allfrey, Clare Boyle and Eleanor Nicholson. Mr Christopher Waters was best man.

Rev J.P. Mitchell and Miss A.C. Birchall

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 17, at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh, of Jolyon, son of Mr Peter Mitchell, of Cambridge, and Mrs Catharine Beck, of New York, to Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Mark Birchall, of Wandsworth. The Bishop of Edinburgh officiated, and the Rev Roger Simpson gave the address.

The bride was attended by Katharine Birchall, Annabel Russell, and Emma and Sophie Parsons. Mr Scott Ross was best man.

A reception was held at the Royal Museum of Scotland.

Mr R.J. Parr and Miss A.Z. Hammerson

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Peter's, Everleigh, Wiltshire, of Mr Richard Parr, son of Mr and Mrs John Parr, of Haselor, Warwickshire, to Miss Arabella Hammerson, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hammerson, of Everleigh. The Rev Simon Everett officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Henrietta Prideaux, Miss Lavinia Cox, the Hon Catherine Gully, Louise Beecham, Alice Helme, Georgina Seagar, Rupert Sakkalli and Rufus Curd. Mr Jorge Gomendio Kindelan was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.M.C. Wallis and Señorita O.C. Echeverri

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 17, at Camden, London, between Mr Jonathan *Michael Cristian Wallis, elder son* of Mr and Mrs Christopher Wallis, of Combe Raleigh, Devon, and Señorita Ofelia Cristina Echeverri Rojas, elder daughter of Don Julian Echeverri Arango and Doña Ofelia Rojas de Echeverri, of Cali, Colombia.

Mr S.P. Astill and Miss V.E. Mobbs

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St John the Baptist, Little Missenden, Buckinghamshire, of Mr Simon Astill, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Paul Astill, of Thurnby, Leicestershire, to Miss Virginia Mobbs, elder daughter of Sir Nigel and the Hon Lady Mobbs, of Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire. The Rev D.R. Hemsley and the Rev A. Meredith officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Penelope Mobbs, Dr Mary Astill, Miss Elizabeth Astill and Miss Louise Northern. Mr John Paul Astill was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr P.J.J. Czernin and Miss L.S. Wright

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Mary the Great, Cambridge, of Mr Peter Czernin, son of Mr and the Hon Mrs Joseph Czernin, of London, to Miss Lucinda Wright, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Wright, of Great Wilbraham, Cambridgeshire. The Right Rev David Conner and Father David Jennings officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Camilla Currey, Alice Currey, Harry Parshall and Thomas Deasy. Mr Dominic Sanders and Mr David Cameron were best men.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.W. Flett and Miss C.E. Wolfe Murray

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Matthew's, Spencer Road, London, SW20, of Mr John Flett, son of Mr and Mrs George Flett, of West Norwood, to Miss Clare Wolfe Murray, daughter of Mr James Wolfe Murray, of Putney, and of the Hon Mrs Diana Wolfe Murray, of London, SW6. The Rev Paul Dunn officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Iona Douglas-Home, Flora Wolfe Murray, Harry Wolfe Murray, Miss Anne-Marie Filgate and Miss Stephanie Newman. Mr Robert Flett was best man.

A reception was held at Kempton Park racecourse and the honeymoon will be spent on the Island of Aruba.

Mr J.M. Hanson and Miss B.A. Fraser

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, of Mr Mark Hanson, son of Mr and Mrs J.G. Hanson, of Blackheath, London, to Miss Belinda Fraser, daughter of the late Sir Hugh Fraser and of Mrs David Reid, of Princeton, British Columbia. The Rev W.A. Cairns officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Dr David Reid, was attended by Thea Wiltshire, Annabelle Bluff, Miss Caroline Fraser, Miss Suzanne Reid and Miss Louise Carlton. Captain Robin Tarling, The Life Guards, was best man. A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr N.J.F. Ewbank and Miss S.C. Dance

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of All Hallows by the Tower, Byward Street, London, EC3, of Mr Nicholas John Ewbank, son of Sir Anthony and Lady Ewbank, of Hampton Court, to Miss Sarah Chloe Dance, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Dance, of Bickley, Kent. Canon P.A. Delaney officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Rafe Dance, Lucy Dance-Matthews and Miss Amanda Dance. Mr Ian Brown was best man. A reception was held at Trinity House.

Nature notes



The tawny owl

ROOKS are playing aerial games: they swoop up and down, cawing noisily, and individual birds detach themselves from the flock to roll in the air and drop and dive.

Tawny owls are starting to hoot again in woods and gardens, as the old and young birds quarrel over their winter territories. Hedge-sparrows are singing again: they have a thin, piping song which they deliver from the top of small bushes. They feed mostly on the ground, creeping along on their pink feet.

Blackbirds gather to feed on the ripe hawthorn and rowan berries, quarrelling and tumbling off the branches.

A few redwings are coming in from northern Europe, the first of the regular winter visitors: they are like song thrushes with a red patch under the wing and a creamy eye-stripe, and will soon be here in enormous numbers, feeding in the fields.

Long, fluffy seeds are developing on old man's beard, or traveller's joy: it climbs over the hedges, turning them grey and woolly. On London plane trees, the bobble-like fruits are swelling; on hornbeams, the clusters of winged seeds hang down like Chinese lanterns. Some hazel nuts are ripe: mushrooms appear overnight at the edge of dewy fields.

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Battle of Britain service

The Queen was represented by Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew Wilson at the Battle of Britain service of thanksgiving and rededication held yesterday in Westminster Abbey. The Prince of Wales was represented by Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Johns.

The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Paul Ferguson, Precentor. Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, Chief of the Air Staff, and Flight Lieutenant R.J. Hoskison from RAF Leeming read the lessons. The Rev A.T.R. Goode, RAF, gave an address.

HM Government was represented by the Hon Nicholas Soames, Minister for the Armed Forces, and HM Opposition by Dr John Reid, Opposition Minister for the Armed Forces. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster, Members of the Diplomatic Corps and the Supreme Allied Commander Europe attended.

During the service the Battle of Britain Roll of Honour was borne in procession by Flight Lieutenant S.W. Ball, escorted by Air Commodore C.J. Mount, Group Captain W.D. David, Wing Commander R.P. Beamont, Wing Commander T.M. Kane, Squadron Leader T.G. Pickering and Flight Lieutenant A.G. Burdekin.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward, as patron, will attend the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain's "Development Evening" reception at the Imagination Gallery, 25 Store Street, WC1, at 6.15; and a performance of *Macbeth* at the Bloomsbury Theatre, Gooch Street, at 7.20.

The Princess Royal, as Patron of Farms for City Children, will attend a board meeting at Wick Court, Arlingham, Frampton on Severn, Gloucestershire, at 10.30; and will attend a Nato military committee dinner at Lancaster House at 7.45.

The Duke of Kent will visit Stoke Mandeville Burns and Reconstructive Research Trust, Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury, at 11.15; and will open the Risborough Springs Swim and Fitness Centre, Stratton Road, Princes Risborough, at 2.20.

The Duchess of Kent, will visit the China Clay and Stone Company, The Goonvean Rostowreck, St Stephen, St Austell, Cornwall, at 11.00; will visit the St Agnes Island School, St Agnes, Isles of Scilly, at 1.25; and, as Patron of the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Leagues of Hospital and Community Friends, will open the Cornwall Friends Mobility Centre, Tehidy House, Treliske Hospital, Truro, at 2.25.

Britain's other Chelsea pens an ode to autumn

BY JANE OWEN

AS CHILL winds blew the summer away last week, the Great Autumn Show at the Royal Horticultural Society in Westminster gave a magnificent fanfare to the passing year.

This year the design standard of the displays was particularly high, a reminder that Chelsea is not the only show to provide inspiration for the shape and form of gardens.

Dahlias, those colourful harbingers of autumn, filled the air around Aylett Nurseries' stand with their characteristically earthy smell and won the nursery a gold medal for its display of 65 varieties. From the far end of the hall wafted the heavy, honeyed scent of Cedarwood Lily Farm's out-of-season lilies, while the gold medal winning S&N Brackley display of sweet peas brought a more delicate perfume to the air.

Burncoose Nurseries from Cornwall also won a gold, for their trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants. A waterfall splashed through the centre of their display, wetting and highlighting the colourful foliage of *Acer plamatum* "Bloodgood", the vast leaves of a Gunnera manicata.

Cascades of dried hops made a appropriately Kentish backdrop to The Hop Shop's display of dried flowers and grasses and Norfolk Royal apples, and won a gold medal.

The Cyclamen Society's display included two specimens of the rare *Cyclamen rohlfsianum*. One had exquisite, deep pink, scented spriralled flowers characteristic of this rarity, and deeply palmate, tooth-edged leaves rather than the more common heart, kidney or dagger shaped leaves. First collected by Rohlfs in 1879 and first described in 1897, it is now thought to be almost extinct in its natural habitat in Libia. Luckily, as Gay Nightingale's specimen plants proved, they can be raised in cultivation: from seed and they will grow in similar conditions to *C. persicum*, although *C. rohlfsianum* is not hardy in Britain.

Heather and Brian Hiley had a gold-medal-winning display of ornamental, clump-forming grasses — an example of the kinds of plant material we may see more of in future following this summer's international symposium at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

The symposium focused on the "New Planting", using massed perennials, a style already adopted by some German municipal parks. At the centre of the Hileys' display there was the unusual variegated tender grass which reaches about 9ft. *Arundo donax* "Variegata".

Finally, one of the more eye-catching displays came from the Chelsea Physic Garden, exhibiting at the RHS for the first time. Focusing on the theme of the seed — highly appropriate for autumn — they displayed the world's larget seed, which weighs more than 40lb and comes from the vast Seychelles palm, *Lodoicea Maldivica*, known more affectionately as "Coco de Mere".

The stand was a reminder of this often forgotten beautiful and historically important garden at the centre of London.

City of London School for Girls

Dr Yvonne A. Burne, BA, PhD, FRSA, has been appointed to the Headship of the City of London School for Girls with effect from September 1995, following the retirement of Lady France, OBE.

Forthcoming marriages

Flight Lieutenant A.C. Belton and Miss A.J. Wood

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Belton, of Brighton, Sussex, and Miss Jacqueline Hazlehurst, of Hailsham, Sussex, and Alexandra Justine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Wood, of Bessacarr, Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

Mr J.C.P. Curtoys and Miss C.J. Leslie

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Philip Curtoys, of Mawdesley, Lancashire, and Claire, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Leslie, of Ovingham, Northumberland.

Mr J. Fryers and Miss E.F. Donaldson

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs P.L. Fryers, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, and Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs T.H. Donaldson, of Wendover Dean, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M.A.C. James and Miss T. Nicol

The engagement is announced between Martin, son of the late Professor Peter James and of Mrs Denise James, of The Pump House, Stratford-upon-Avon, and Tina, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Nicol, of Stifford Clays, Essex.

Mr J. N. Lowther and Miss V. Catchpole

The engagement is announced between James, son of The Earl of Lonsdale, of Askham Hall, Askham, Cumbria, and Nancy Countess of Lonsdale, of Ovington Square, London SW3, and Vanessa, daughter of Mr Alan Catchpole, of Broke Hall, Nacton, Suffolk, and Mrs Ronald Foster Pegg, of The Coach House, Grundisburgh, Suffolk.

Mr C.J. Neal and Miss S.A. Bowles

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs R.V. Neal, of Limpsfield, Surrey, and Shirley, daughter of the late Mr R.G. Bowles and of Mrs M. "Scot" Barwell, of Blaby, Leicestershire.

Mr C.P. Whitworth and Miss S.C. Needham

The engagement is announced between Charles, youngest son of Mr P.St.J. Whitworth, of Kildrochet, Wigtownshire, and Mrs D.M. Steele, of Bletchington, Oxfordshire, and Sophie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs M.R. Needham, of Elmley Lovett, Worcestershire.

Memorial service

Mr Cecil Collier

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Cecil Collier, a founder member of the Association of Jamaicans (UK) Trust, was held on Saturday at St James's, Piccadilly. The Bishop of Croydon, who also gave the address, and the Bishop of the Caribbean Episcopal Church, officiated. The High Commissioner of Jamaica read the lesson.

Applications for appointment as Queen's Counsel

The Lord Chancellor invites applications from barristers in private practice of at least 10 years' standing. Application forms from David Stobie, Lord Chancellor's Department, Room 6.33, Southside, 105 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QT (071 210 1607, 071 210 1714). Completed forms must be returned by noon on Monday, October 17, 1994.

Mrs Andrew Geddes and Mr Henry Bowring regret that they have had to cancel their dance in Cumbria, arranged for October 8.

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BIRTHS

AHLUWALIA - On 1st September at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Nahid (née Jalilian) and Richard, a son, Julian Christopher James.

CALDER - On September 14th, to Clare (née Gilmour) and Stuart, a daughter Lydia Christabel Alice, a sister for Cosima.

DAVIES - On 15th September, to Robin (née Pelham Burn) and Simon, a son Patrick Michael Philip.

IVISON - On Thursday 8th September 1994, to Fiona (née Trotman) and Marcel, a son, Dominic David Sebastian, a brother for Natasha, at Matlida Hospital, Hong Kong.

JACOBSON - On 9th September, to Jane (née Pinder) and Lawrence, a daughter, Rose Leah, a sister for Sophie.

PETTY - On September 16th 1994, to Judy and Alan, a daughter, Katherine Louise (Kate).

PHILLIPS - On 16th September, to Vanessa (née French) and Richard, twin sons Toby and Hugo.

WESTERN - On September 9th 1994, in Seattle, USA, to Kenneth and Jennifer Western, a precious son, Christopher William. 7lbs 11ozs.

BIRTHS

WOODWARD - On September 10th, to Susan (Née Roberts) and Stuart, a daughter, Holly Louise, a sister for Jonathon.

DEATHS

BALDWIN - On September 13th 1994, in Glenton Hospital, after an illness fought with courage, Major Lionel aged 70, husband of the late Anita, much loved father of Nigel, friend to Jo and grandpa to Sophie. Funeral Service Thursday 22nd September at 2.15 pm, at St Mary the Virgin, Twickenham, followed by private cremation for family only. Flowers may be sent c/o Frederick W. Paine, 51 Church Street, Twickenham TW1 3NR. tel: (081) 892-1784.

BEALES - Valerie Maude (née Rossiter), much loved wife, sister, mother and grandmother, and friend to so many, died peacefully on 14th September 1994, after a long illness which she faced with spirit and great courage. She is much missed. Funeral on 26th September at 12 noon at St Mildreds and All Angels, Elmbank Gardens, London SW13. Family flowers only, donations to Trinity Hospice, Amnesty International and Compassion in World Farming.

DEATHS

BARING - Denzil, Brother of Leonora. On September 14th at The Gainsborough Nursing Home. Cremation private. Memorial Service at St Lukes, Sydney Street, Chelsea, London, on Wednesday 28th September at 12 noon. No flowers by request.

CATMUR - Graham William. Suddenly but peacefully, in Epsom General Hospital, on 15th September, in his 70th year. Much loved and loving husband of Madeleine, brother of Felicity and devoted father of Claire, Paul, Ruth and Giles. Funeral at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, 4.30pm Thursday 22nd September. Friends welcome. No flowers please. Donations if desired to UNICEF, 55 Lincolns Inn Fields, WC2A 3NB. 39 years of marriage, 36 years of Fellowship, 45 years of The Times Crossword.

PAINE JP - Peacefully at home on September 15th 1994, Phyllis Newell Paine JP, aged 93 years, of Prestbury, Cheshire. Beloved wife of the late Clifford Paine. Funeral Service to be held at Macclesfield Crematorium on Wednesday 21st September at 12.30 pm. Family flowers only, donations to Boys and Girls Welfare Society. Enquiries to Hookey and Watson, tel 0625 422734

DEATHS

HILTON - On September 8th 1994, peacefully, whilst on holiday in France. Alan aged 67 years. Solicitor of Heswall, Wirral. Dearly loved husband of Jean and father of Peter, Anthony, Elinor and Rosalind. Service at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Heswall, on Thursday September 22nd at 2.15 pm, followed by cremation at Landicon. Immediate family flowers only. Donations in aid of either, British Heart Foundation or N.S.P.C.C., to Charles Stephens Funeral Directors, 179 Telegraph Road, Heswall, L60 7SE.

SPINK - Reginald, peacefully at home on 15th September, 1994. Cremation on Friday 23rd September at 12 noon at Breakspear Crematorium (East Chapel), Ruislip, Middx. No flowers please.

DEATHS

ROSS-ROSS - Diana Clara. Peacefully on September 15th, Widow of Eicho and loving mother of John and the late Dianne. Also remembered with deep affection Cyril, David, Robin and their families. Service Tuesday 20th September. Chichester Cathedral at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only. Any donations to St Wilfrid's Hospice, c/o Edward Wiley & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester PO19 1SY

STOCK - On September 14th 1994, peacefully at home, Tribde Eileen, widow of Captain Howard Cecil Stock R.N. Greatly loved aunt of James, Diana, Patricia and beloved great-great-aunt. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving at St Luke's Church, Chelsea, on Thursday September 22nd at 2 pm.

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DEATHS

WILLIAMS - On September 14th 1994, suddenly at home, Leslie Others of Wimborne, Dorset and formerly of Cardiff, Brighton and Hartlepool. Beloved husband of the late Ann and father of Diana. Service at Wimborne Minster on Thursday September 22nd at 2.30 pm, followed by interment at Wimborne Cemetery. Enquiries to Charles Snaid and Son Funeral Directors, tel: (0202) 882572.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

SCHRODER - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Meg Schroder will be held at Chelsea Old Church, Cheyne Walk (corner of Old Church Street), Chelsea on Wednesday 21st September 1994 at 4 pm.

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OBITUARIES

SIR KARL POPPER

Sir Karl Popper, FRS, CH, Professor of Logic and Scientific Method at the London School of Economics, 1949-69, died on September 17 aged 92. He was born on July 28, 1902.

KARL POPPER was a philosopher of uncommon originality, clarity and depth, and his range was exceptional. Besides the large problems and issues dealt with in his first two major works, *The Logic of Scientific Discovery* (originally *Logik der Forschung*, 1934) and *The Open Society and its Enemies* (1945), the subjects he worked on included pre-Socratic philosophy, foundations of mathematical logic, the probability calculus, the direction of time, Kant, and the rise of polyphonic music.

As well as rigorously technical work in the philosophy of natural science, he could arrest the attention of ordinary people, for instance on educational or political issues. He had a knack of hitting on memorable labels (or "right-to-left definitions", to use one of them): for instance, "the bucket theory of the mind", "horizon of expectations", "moral futurism", "the theory of manifest truth", and of course "the open society". He developed a liking, in everyday speech, for homely Anglicisms like "Not my cup of tea" and "I may have to eat humble pie" (though this last phrase was not constantly on his lips).

He called the writing of *The Open Society* his "war work". The book made him something of a hero to many intellectuals who had experienced oppressive regimes, for instance in Germany and also in Poland, the Soviet Union and China. He had devoted followers in developing countries, such as India. And he came to be honoured in Japan. His work was translated (often clandestinely in Eastern Europe) into more than twenty languages.

Apart from music, he had virtually no relaxations. He was physically small, with an expressive face. He read with intense concentration, his eyes seeming to suck the meaning from the page. Though often pessimistic about the future of the West, he was, at bottom, a great optimist.

Karl Raimund Popper was born into a cultured home, full of books and music, in the centre of Vienna close by the cathedral. His parents had abandoned the Jewish faith. His father was a lawyer, writer, and social reformer. This comfortable world was shattered by the First World War and the inflation, hunger-riots and shooting that accompanied its closing stages and aftermath.

At 16, Popper left home and school in a mood of private revolt. He did manual work, and also enrolled at the University of Vienna. In *Unended Quest* (1976) he tells how he flirted briefly with communism, but turned sharply against it in 1919 after seeing unarmed young socialists shot outside a police station during a demonstration engineered by communists, who saw revolutionary violence as necessary for progress towards the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Popper now became deeply suspicious of the scientific pretensions of Marxism to foretell the future course of history, pretensions which he would expose later in three articles, "The Poverty of Historicism" (published in *Economica* in 1944-45). He now became a democratic socialist, identifying himself wholeheartedly with the Vienna workers' movement, with its ideal of emancipation through education, its pacifism, its concern for better housing, and the pleasure that many of its members took in mountaineering, classical music and literature.

The year 1919 was also a turning-point for him in other ways. It was the one in which the eclipse expeditions confirmed Einstein's theory of gravitation. The young Popper was deeply impressed by the contrast between this hard-won success for that great scientific theory and the mass of easy "verifications" which their respective supporters were claiming for the theories of Marx, Freud, and Adler (with whom Popper was working in 1919). Popper now began to grapple with what he called "the demarcation problem", namely: what differentiates genuinely scientific theories from pseudo-scientific ones? Not empirical verification; no theory had seemed better verified, more secure, than Newton's, but it was now displaced by Einstein's. Popper's answer was: their *falsifiability* or openness to falsification by experiment. He first published this idea in 1933.

In the meanwhile, he had to live, however frugally. He earned a little money coaching American students. During 1922-24 he learnt his trade of cabinet-making (but the long hours of planing bored him). Then he did social work with neglected children. In 1925 he enrolled in the newly formed Pedagogic Institute, where he met Josefine Henninger, his future wife. They became schoolteachers in Vienna. He was now studying psychology, physics and mathematics; and he had started to grapple with Hume's problem of induction. He came to believe that his solution for the demarcation problem in terms of falsifiability also provided a solution for this other fundamental problem: a scientific theory, no matter how good, always remains a conjecture; it should have withstood rigorous and ingenious tests, but these provide no inductive support for it; the problem of induction falls away. (This claim has been much questioned.)



By 1932 he had completed (under encouragement from Herbert Feigl) the first volume of a big work on "The Two Fundamental Problems in the Theory of Knowledge". This work (which has been published only in German, in 1979) was much read and discussed by members of the Vienna Circle, including Carnap, Neurath, Schlick and Waismann.

Parts of it were incorporated in his *Logik der Forschung* (1934). This book, though read only by a rather small circle (until translated into English in 1959), raised this secondary schoolteacher to the rank of a foremost philosopher. It was brought to Einstein's attention by Frieda Busch, wife of the founder of the Busch quartet. Einstein told Popper that, purified of certain errors, the book "will be really splendid". At Susan Stebbing's invitation, Popper spent a considerable time in England during 1935-36, meeting Ayer, Berlin, Russell, Ryle, Schrödinger, Woodger and, at LSE, Hayek and Robbins. He lectured on Tarski's theory of truth and, at LSE, on "The Poverty of Historicism".

His book appeared at a difficult time. The Vienna Circle, with which he had close contacts without being an official member, was beginning to break up, the Nazi menace was looming, and the political situation in Austria was close to civil war. Although he still supported the Social Democratic Party, Popper had become disillusioned with it: it had undermined working people's faith in democracy without really being prepared to fight the anti-democrats of the Right; he was against the idea that the social democrats should arm themselves against fascism: it would provoke militarism on the Right, and few social democrats would know how to handle their new weapons.

A senior lectureship in Philosophy at the then Canterbury University College in New Zealand was advertised; foreseeing a Nazi takeover of Austria, he applied, and got it, arriving there in 1937. He now forced himself to think and write in English. He worked on the "Poverty" (published as a book in 1957, with the dedication: "In memory of the countless men and women . . . who fell victims to the Fascist and Communist belief in Inexorable Laws of Historical Destiny"). A section on Plato developed runaway tendencies and eventually grew into the first volume of *The Open Society and its Enemies*, a brilliantly written defence of rationality and democracy against Utopianism and historicism. (Police suspicions were aroused when in 1943 he cabled "Consider Enemies Better" in reply to a suggestion from London that the title should be . . . *and its Opponents*.)

These two works contained important ideas about the methods of the social sciences; and in 1945 he was invited to a readership at LSE. (He became a professor there in 1949.) His large lecture audiences (which often included a sprinkling of distinguished visitors) listened absorbed to his low-voiced thinking aloud (he had no notes), at once clear, serious and deep, and often enlivened by puckish jokes. He became an active member of a Philosophy of Sciences Group which met at UCL; it founded *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, and his important paper on Indeterminism was published in two early issues.

His weekly LSE seminar was often stormy; the speaker was expected to explain his problem, announce his thesis, and then, often under a running fire of criticism, argue for it without any surreptitious shift of position, and there could be trouble if these exacting demands were not met.

In the early 1950s, he developed an allergy to tobacco smoke, and took to avoiding public places and working, with his wife Hennie's devoted assistance, mostly at their charming home in Penn. He was visited regularly by a small circle of devoted friends. He usually drew them into whatever problem was absorbing him, but occasionally unburdened his bitterness about some alleged plagiarism or the misdeeds of a renegade pupil. His reputation as a "difficult man" was not entirely baseless.

In the mid-1950s he was working on an English edition of his first book, with important new appendices on probability, simplicity, and corroboration, and also a long postcript which grew into a work of 800 pages, and was published in three volumes, with the help of Bill Bartley, only in 1982. It argues for, among other things, indeterminism and a propensity interpretation of physical probabilities.

His *Conjectures and Refutations* (1963), as well as reproducing some classic papers, had a long new chapter elucidating the idea that a sequence of false theories may be converging with the truth, or have ever increasing verisimilitude, verisimilitude being sharply separated from probability. (When a serious logical defect in his definition of this idea was pointed out to him, he responded angelically: several philosophers have since been trying to repair the damage.) His *Objective Knowledge* (1972) is notable for an evolutionist approach to language, knowledge, and the mind-body problem, and for the thesis (foreshadowed by Plato, Hegel and Frege) that in addition to the world of physical things (World One) and the world of mental experiences (World Two) there is a World Three of abstract but objective products of human thinking.

His last major work, *The Self and its Brain* (1977), written in collaboration with Sir John Eccles, revives an interactionist, neo-Cartesian view of the mind-brain relation. It had a mixed reception.

He was knighted in 1965. In 1974 came the philosophical accolade of two thick volumes in Schilpp's Library of Living Philosophers. In 1976 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society, and in 1982 he was made a Companion of Honour. He was awarded many honorary degrees, and received several rare prizes.

He and his wife were devoted to each other, and his life was darkened by her long and painful illness. She died in 1985, which was a terrible year for him. But he still felt that, despite all the pain and suffering, it is a wonderful privilege to be in this great world and to participate in our amazingly successful understanding of it. Even death, he said, adds value to our lives. He worked on indefatigably until almost the end, bringing out *A World of Propensities*, a slim but elegant volume, in 1990, and *In Search of a Better World*, a collection of essays and addresses, in 1992.

There were no children.

MATTIE PRICHARD

Mattie Prichard, hostess, broadcaster and widow of the poet Caradog Prichard, died on September 16 aged 86. She was born on April 6, 1908.



MATTIE PRICHARD was known in London's Welsh circles as "Queen of the Taffia". It was a title she relished, and one gained partly by virtue of her own abilities, and partly through her marriage to Caradog Prichard, the Welsh poet.

It was not unusual to find men like Richard Burton, Sir Geraint Evans and Donald Houston in her drawing room in St John's Wood. One of her closest friends was Cliff Morgan, the Welsh fly-half and later the BBC's Head of Outside Broadcasts. He recalled his first visit there: "We had just beaten the New Zealanders in 1953 and her home was a Mecca for Welsh pilgrims. For me it was to become the scene of so many happy Welsh gatherings. Mattie sparkled. She could be a bloody nuisance; but she was unashamedly big hearted and good to everybody. She was the Welsh Hedda Hopper."

Born in Gilfach Goch, South Wales, the only daughter of a tailor, Mattie Adele Gwynne Evans met and married the Welsh poet and journalist Caradog Prichard in 1933. Their early married life began in Cardiff where he worked for the *Western Mail*, and she was an elementary school teacher. During a stint in Tiger Bay she taught Shirley Bassey to sing Welsh hymns.

Always an ambitious woman, both for herself and her husband, she was particularly proud of her husband's three crowns — the prize given for a Welsh poem in free metre — won in 1927, 1928 and 1929 at the National Eisteddfod. It was a record which was never beaten, and which never will be now, the rules having since changed so that the crown cannot be won by the same poet more than twice.

At the same time, Prichard's journalistic career blossomed and Mattie followed him to Fleet Street, where he worked as a reporter for *The News Chronicle*. The couple travelled extensively on assignments in Europe in the 1930s.

With the outbreak of war, Mattie Prichard worked with MI5 as a censor of vital and highly sensitive telephone conversations — work in which she could be charmingly direct. She interrupted Churchill on several occasions to warn him that "the enemy could be listening in".

She gave birth to her only child, Mari, in 1947. This was the one year she missed her obligatory trip to Wales for the National Eisteddfod, where she had become a familiar sight in the press tent.

She was full of stories about her husband, a man she felt the Welsh had never really forgiven for going to London, joining *The Daily Telegraph* and becoming both a Tory and royalist. She recalled, for instance, her husband's victory at the National Eisteddfod in 1962 when he was Chaired Bard at Llanelli, and wore the bardic robes for the first time. On that occasion he agreed to be robed only because he though it unchivalrous to reject the services of the two women dressers. (As a young man, he had made news when he refused to be robed on winning the crown, saying that the heraldic signs on the bards' robes reminded him of adverts for Worthington beer.)

When he returned to London, his *Daily Telegraph* colleagues — some of whom had by then realised that their sub-editor had hidden talents — dressed in white sheets and performed a mock chairing ceremony in the newsroom.

Meanwhile Mattie Prichard was busy on her own account, frequently reporting from London on Welsh television and radio, both for the BBC and independent stations. She was a political animal: after the war she worked as a secretary at the House of Commons and subsequently was a prospective Liberal candidate for Lloyd George's old constituency, South Caernarfonshire, in the early 1960s. She also stood unsuccessfully as a Liberal in a number of local London council elections. Her friends came from across the political and social spectrum — the Kinnocks, Lord Cledwyn, Lord Hooson, the late Brian Johnston and his wife Pauline, Sir Anthony Hopkins, musicians and artists, doctors, lawyers and journalists. She could be painfully honest with them when she thought they needed advice, and in 1991 upbraided Neil Kinnock for modifying his Welsh accent in order to appeal to English voters.

Her daughter, who spoke Welsh and played the harp, went up to Oxford where she met and married Humphrey Carpenter, who went on to be a writer and broadcaster as well as a talented musician. Mattie liked to accompany him to the Ritz where in the 1980s his dance band, Vile Bodies, was resident.

She loved fine clothes, particularly favouring black, white and green tailored outfits. Her father, who was Savile Row-trained, continued painstakingly to make most of them after injuring his hand in the First World War. She particularly loved good hats and only last weekend acquired a new one from Bloomingdales in New York.

Her husband died in 1980 and she leaves her daughter.

NICKY HOPKINS

Nicky Hopkins, musician, died from complications after a stomach operation in Nashville, Tennessee, on September 6 aged 50. He was born in south London on February 24, 1944.



NICKY HOPKINS was widely regarded as one of the foremost session musicians of rock music. His ubiquitous bar-room piano, steeped in technique inspired by Chuck Berry's keyboard player Johnnie Johnson, illuminated recordings by The Rolling Stones, The Beatles, The Kinks, The Who and scores of others. His attempts to launch a solo career were unsuccessful, but he was happy to remain in the shadows as a source of dependability and inspiration.

Growing up in south London, Hopkins started playing piano at the age of three, studying at the Royal Academy of Music from 1956 until 1960 and turning professional soon after leaving school. He became a teenage contributor to the London beat scene with that celebrated parliamentarian-in-waiting, Screaming Lord Sutch and the Savages.

Late in 1962, Hopkins traded up to the more credible British R & B sound of the Cyril Davies All Stars, playing alongside vocalist Long John Baldry in one of the great "nursery" groups, but was in hospital for 18 months in 1963-64, during which time Davies died of leukaemia and the group split up.

Hopkins then freelanced and played on gigs such as The Who's 1965 debut album *My Generation*. He later featured on their 1971 epic *Who's Next* and 1975's *The Who By Numbers*. Ray Davies was inspired to write "Session Man" about him on the 1966 *Face to Face* LP by The Kinks.

That year Hopkins made his own album debut, *The Revolutionary Piano of Nicky Hopkins*, produced by the Who associate (and longtime Hopkins sponsor) Shel Talmy, but he soon resumed the role of trusty sidekick. In 1967 sessions included one for John's Children, fronted by the emerging Marc Bolan.

The pianist's stock rose when he joined the Jeff Beck Group. Beck, another Lord Sutch survivor, already had Rod Stewart as vocalist and Ron Wood as second guitarist, but the mixture was volatile. Hopkins later said: "We'd wake up one morning in the States and find Jeff had left the night before and was back in England."

Hopkins had chosen to join Beck rather than another ex-Yardbird, Jimmy Page, who was courting him for his New Yardbirds, soon to find superstardom when they were renamed Led Zeppelin. But in later years the pianist remained philosophical about this apparent wrong turning.

He moved to Mill Valley, California, in 1969, playing on two Steve Miller Band albums and with Jefferson Airplane, and further enhanced his West Coast reputation by briefly joining Quicksilver Messenger Service and appearing on their third album *Shady Grove*.

The 1970s brought him many credits including work with Art Garfunkel, Carly Simon, George Harrison, Ringo Starr and with John Lennon on *Imagine* and *Walls And Bridges*. But it was as a Rolling Stones sideman that Hopkins will be most vividly remembered. He began their 14-album association in 1967 and played on many potent Jagger-Richards creations, including "Sympathy For The Devil" and, a career highpoint, the plaintive piano on the 1973 American chart-topper "Angie".

Hopkins returned to England in 1974, releasing *No More Changes* in 1975, and in 1979 hit the US Top 20 with "Hot Summer Nights" by the Anglo-American group Night.

Always in delicate health, he had been less prominent in recent years, but was reported in 1991 to have turned his writing attentions to classical music, saying: "If I can appeal to the sort of people who buy Nigel Kennedy, that's great." It remained an unrealised goal, but Hopkins's music nevertheless reached a huge audience in a career of more than three decades. The only pity was that the audience never quite knew he was there.

He is survived by his wife, Moira.

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MISSING BRITISH DIPLOMATS "LONG-TERM SOVIET AGENTS"

From Our Diplomatic Correspondent

There was an unexpected development yesterday in the case of the missing diplomatists, Burgess and Maclean, who disappeared in 1951. The Foreign Office confirmed parts of a report about them, written by Mr. Petrov, the former second secretary in the Soviet Embassy at Canberra, who broke with the Soviet Government and sought refuge in Australia in 1954.

Mr. Petrov's story, published yesterday in the *People*, states that Burgess and Maclean were long-term Soviet agents who had been recruited for intelligence work while still students at Cambridge and who had regularly supplied the Soviet Government with information.

A Foreign Office spokesman declined to confirm this in detail yesterday, but stated that it was believed that Burgess and Maclean were "long-term Soviet agents".

Mr. Petrov's account also stated that the two men did not leave the United Kingdom because they were disillusioned with life under a capitalist regime, but because they discovered that they were under investigation by the security services. They had left to seek asylum. In reply to inquiries on this point, the Foreign Office spokesman said that it was true that Maclean was under active investigation by the security authorities, and that Burgess's suitability for continued Foreign Service employment was under examination.

Burgess, it was added, had already been withdrawn from Washington. There was insufficient evidence to warrant Maclean's arrest nor were there powers to prevent either man from leaving the country . . .

Yesterday the Foreign Office spokesman, who naturally stuck closely to what were obviously carefully prepared replies, said also that Mr. Petrov's statement that Burgess and Maclean thought that they had been discovered, and for that reason asked for asylum, was believed to be correct. It was also believed that the flight, as Mr. Petrov alleged, was arranged from Moscow . . .

Maclean at the time of his disappearance was head of the American Department of the Foreign Office. It has always been maintained that as such he would not be responsible for negotiations on major questions between Britain and the United States — such as economic aid or N.A.T.O. commitments, which would be handled by other specialised departments.

As head of the department concerned with the international situation in the United States, however, he would probably have had access to many documents dealing with negotiations conducted by other departments, although he would almost certainly not have had access to secret military intelligence on weapons or atomic development. He was, however, from 1944 to 1948 in Washington where he served as head of chancery in the Embassy, the key post in the administration of the work of the Embassy, in which many highly confidential papers must have been available to him . . .

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The story of Burgess and Maclean, later joined by Philby and Blunt, reads like a Le Carré novel. In 1963 it was revealed that Philby had tipped off the two diplomats that they were in danger of being uncovered

NEWS

Hopes raised of end to rail strike

■ The long-awaited breakthrough in the 14-week rail strike has come with signal workers voting to resume talks with Railtrack on productivity and to discuss restructuring.

If the executive of the RMT rail union agrees to back the signalworkers, talks with the conciliation service Acas could be held this week, with the prospect of the 19th strike due on Friday being suspended.

Saunders conviction may be quashed

■ Ernest Saunders, the former Guinness chief jailed for five years for false accounting and theft, could have his conviction quashed after a landmark European ruling that he was denied a fair trial. The European Commission of Human Rights will this week find by 14 to one that the methods by which evidence was obtained from Mr Saunders were "oppressive".....**Page 1**

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An unlikely alliance of hardline Unionists and Sinn Fein spokesmen condemned Albert Reynolds yesterday when the Irish Prime Minister said he did not expect to witness Irish unity within the next 20 years .....**Page 2**

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■ A 12-year-old boy crashed his father's car driving from Yorkshire to Plymouth to visit a girl he had met on holiday. The boy drove down the M1 at 80mph for 100 miles before losing control of the vehicle. "I'm in love with Phillipa. I have to go down and see her," he said in a note left for his father. Police cautioned him after the crash.....**Page 3**



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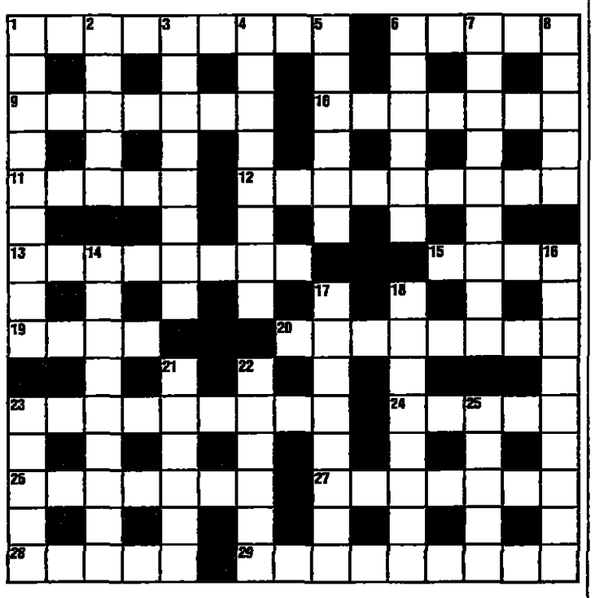
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In undertaking a special mission to Haiti for President Clinton, Jimmy Carter is showing once again that a former President can be a unique diplomatic resource

— New York Times

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1 Drawing a boat, make notes about it (9).
6 A big "thank you" is called for here in Italy (5).
9 A senseless setback a body of *conservationists find hard* (7).
10 Soldiers with gear to pay for (7).
11 Thought by many to be perfect (5).
12 Coarse yet popular English member, a worker (9).
13 Usual tin put out for shellfish (8).
15 Raise an objection when there's reason (4).
19 Writing about a right back (4).
20 Hands over evidence after study (8).
23 New Testament's declaration (9).
24 A quarter remains almost submerged (5).
26 The runner from Blackheath let everybody pass him (7).
27 Meaner, so retains change (7).
28 Mention about five hundred pounds with some regret (5).
29 One trains to break a horse, that's well-known (9).

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1 A tradesman who puts people in their place? (9).
2 Relation's uplifting note brings cheer (5).
3 A minister's tea — quite simple (8).
4 Scheme to raise interest (8).
5 A stone fish-trap (6).
6 He may be warned if crooked (6).
7 Watches a fly going up and down (9).
8 Equally determined to secure an item of value (5).
14 A bilingual graduate dropped but not disconcerted (9).
16 Small daughter is offensive, but let off (9).
17 The subject matter affords satisfaction (8).
18 Criminal beast repeatedly put inside (8).
21 Put bet on after half-time only (6).
22 Try once more! (6).
23 Checks supporters (5).
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FORECAST

☐ **General:** England and Wales will start grey and damp with outbreaks of rain and drizzle. Eastern England will remain cloudy with rain and drizzle for much of the day.

Elsewhere the rain will become light and patchy with drier, brighter interludes during the afternoon. Showery rain will return in the evening.

Most of Scotland and Northern Ireland will have a cloudy start with rain and drizzle in many areas.

Northern Ireland and western Scotland will become drier with a little brightness or even sunshine. However, showers will develop, some heavy and prolonged later in the day. Eastern Scotland will have further rain at times.

☐ **London, SE, E, NE England, E Anglia, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:** mostly cloudy with outbreaks of rain. Wind southerly light to moderate. Max 15C (59F).

☐ **Central S, SW, NW, Central N England, Midlands, Channel Isles, Wales, Lake District:** rather cloudy with patchy rain and drizzle. Some drier, brighter interludes. Showers later. *Wind southerly light veering* west. Max 15 to 17C (59 to 63F).

☐ **Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands:** rather cloudy with patchy rain and drizzle. A few brighter spells. Showers later. Wind southerly light veering west. Max 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

☐ **Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland:** a few bright spells. Showers heavy and prolonged in places. Wind *westerly light becoming northwest* moderate. Max 15C (59F).

☐ **Outlook:** cool and cloudy with outbreaks of rain. Becoming drier and brighter in the north on Wednesday.

AROUND BRITAIN

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright; ds=dust storm

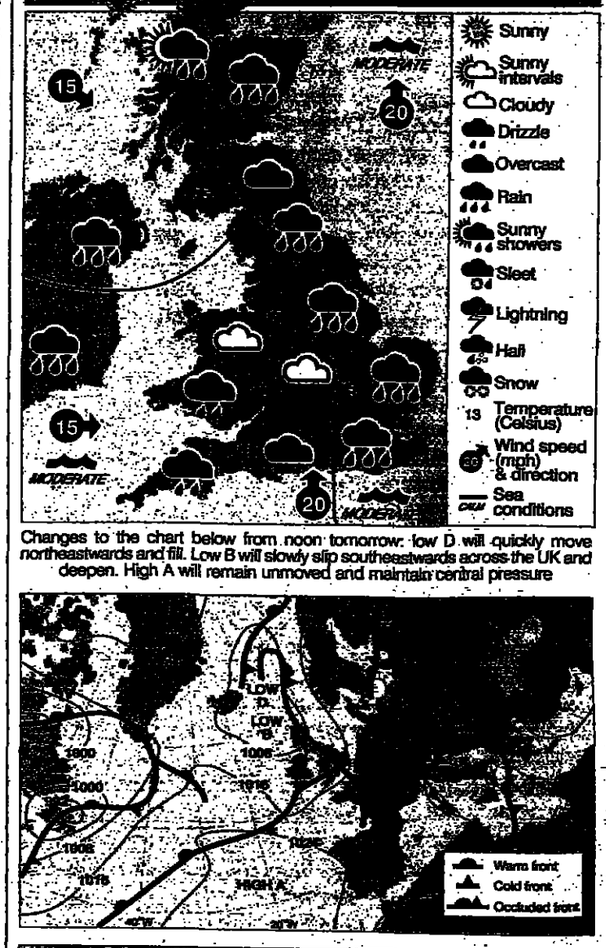
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Anglesey	4.2	0.02	14	57	sh	London	1.8	-	14	57	c
Aspatria	4.0	-	13	55	c	Lowestoft	X				
Aviemore	1.6	0.09	10	50	c	Manchester	8.3	-	15	59	s
Belfast	1.7	-	13	55	c	Margate	X				
Birmingham	8.0	-	15	59	s	Minehead	4.2	0.03	15	59	b
Bognor R	X					Morecambe	5.5	-	14	57	b
Bournem'th	X					Newcastle	0.2	-	13	55	c
Bristol	X					Newquay	0.1	-	12	54	c
Buxton	7.3	-	11	52	b	Norwich	0.5	0.18	11	52	sh
Cardiff	5.6	-	14	57	b	Nottingham	1.8	-	13	55	b
Clacton	0.8	0.13	13	55	c	Oxford	X				
Cleethorpes	X					Plymouth	6.2	-	15	59	b
Cromer	X					Penzance	X				
Colwyn Bay	5.2	-	13	55	b	Poole	X				
Doncaster	1.2	-	13	55	c	Prestatyn	X	-	13	55	b
Dunbar	1.3	-	13	55	b	Ross-o-wye	5.0	-	15	59	b
Eastbourne	X					Ryde	5.0	0.32	17	63	s
Edinburgh	7.8	-	15	59	b	Salcombe	X				
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Folkestone	X					Shrewsbury	8.4	0.07	14	57	b
Fishguard	3.6	0.01	13	55	b	Scilly Isles	X				
Glasgow	11.0	-	16	61	s	Shanklin	X				
Guernsey	X					Skegness	X				
Hastings	X					Southend	X				
Hayling I.	X					Southport	9.7	-	14	57	s
Hove	X					Southsea	X				
Hunstanton	X					Stornoway	6.5	-	12	54	b
Ilfracombe	X					Swanage	X				
Isle of Man	7.1	-	14	57	b	Tenby	3.8	-	14	57	b
Jersey	X					Tiree	7.7	-	13	55	b
Kinloss	1.1	0.03	12	54	sh	Torquay	X				
Leeds	1.0	-	13	55	c	Tynemouth	X				
Lerwick	1.4	-	11	52	c	Ventnor	X				
Lauchars	5.1	-	15	59	b	Weymouth	X				
Littlehmptn	X					West-s-mare	X				

ABROAD

Ajaccio	20	68	s	Corfu	26	79	f	Mejorca	20	68	f
Akrotiri	29	84	c	Dublin	13	55	f	Malaga	23	73	f
Alex'dria	28	82	c	Dubrovnik	21	70	f	Malta	27	81	c
Algiers	24	75	f	Faro	27	81	s	Melb'rne	12	54	r
Amst'dm	15	59	f	Florence	18	64	f	Mexico C	20	68	f
Athens	31	88	s	Frankfurt	14	57	c	Miami	31	88	f
Bahrain	34	93	s	Funchal	23	73	s	Milan	15	59	c
Bangkok	31	88	f	Geneva	11	52	f	Montreal	20	68	f
Barbados	28	82	f	Gibraltar	20	68	f	Moscow	17	63	f
Barcelona	21	70	s	Helsinki	12	54	c	Munich	11	52	c
Beirut	30	86	f	Hong K	28	77	s	Nairobi	25	77	f
Belgrade	17	63	f	Innsbruck	13	55	c	Naples	23	73	c
Berlin	13	55	c	Istanbul	27	81	s	N Delhi	32	90	c
Bermuda	29	84	s	Jeddah	35	95	s	N York	31	88	c
Biarritz	16	61	f	Jo'burg	26	79	s	Nice	19	66	f
Borde'x	16	61	c	Karachi	35	95	s	Oslo	13	55	s
Brussels	13	55	r	L Palmas	25	77	s	Paris	13	55	c
Budapst	14	57	f	La Toquet	14	57	f	Peking	28	82	s
B Aires	20	68	s	Lisbon	25	77	s	Perth	20	68	s
Cairo	34	93	s	Locarno	15	59	c	Prague	12	54	f
Cape Tn	18	64	f	L Angels	22	72	c	Reykjavik	9	48	d
Chicago	21	70	c	Luxembg	9	48	r	Rhodes	29	84	s
Cologne	14	57	c	Luxor	38	100	s	Rio de J	19	66	f
C'phagn	13	55	c	Madrid	20	68	s	Riyadh	38	100	s

Rome	22	72	f	Tel Aviv	31	88	s
Salzburg	12	54	f	Tenerife	23	77	s
S Friscc	18	64	s	Toronto	23	73	f
Santiago	23	73	s	Tunis	24	75	f
S Paulo	20	68	c	Valencia	22	72	s
Seoul	23	73	c	Vanc'ver	18	64	f
Sing'por	29	82	f	Venice	12	54	r
Stckholm	9	48	f	Vienna	14	57	f
Strasb'rg	11	52	r	Warsaw	14	57	f
Sydney	22	72	s	Wash'ton	28	82	f
Tangier	26	77	f	Wel'ngton	-	-	-
Tarifa	21	70	s	Zurich	9	48	f

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Avonmouth	6.41	13.0	6.59	13.4	Margate	11.41	4.8	—	—
Belfast	10.36	3.3	10.48	3.5	Milford Haven	5.41	6.8	5.56	7.1
Cardiff	6.32	12.04	6.49	12.35	Newquay	4.22	8.8	4.50	7.0
Devonport	5.14	5.3	5.27	5.5	Oban	5.14	3.7	5.28	4.1
Dover	10.44	6.7	11.10	6.8	Penzance	4.12	5.4	4.24	5.6
Falmouth	4.44	5.1	4.57	5.3	Portland	6.18	2.0	6.32	2.2
Glasgow	12.17	4.9	12.43	4.7	Portsmouth	10.59	4.7	11.11	4.7
Harwich	11.16	4.0	11.42	4.1	Shoreham	11.00	6.3	11.16	6.2
Holyhead	9.57	5.3	10.04	5.7	Southampton	10.23	4.5	10.38	4.4
Hull	5.38	7.40	6.13	7.14	Swansea	5.28	9.01	5.45	9.38
Ilfracombe	5.28	9.01	5.45	9.38	Tees	5.46	9.3	6.04	9.6
King's Lynn	5.44	6.7	6.22	6.5	Tees	3.01	5.3	3.28	5.2
Leith	2.01	5.5	2.33	5.4	Wilton-on-Nble	11.15	4.2	11.42	4.2

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Sun rises: 6.41 am
Sun sets: 7.07 pm
Moon sets 6.19 am
Moon rises 6.36 pm

London 7.09 pm to 6.43 am
Bristol 7.16 pm to 6.53 am
Edinburgh 7.21 pm to 6.54 am
Manchester 7.16 pm to 6.51 am
Penzance 7.28 pm to 7.05 am

Full Moon Today

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TIMES SPORT



Beardsley sidefoots the penalty, awarded for Dixon's push on Albert, that put Newcastle United 2-1 ahead yesterday. Newcastle went on to record their sixth successive FA Carling Premiership victory. Photograph: Ian Stewart

Dazzling Newcastle confirm credentials



Rob Hughes witnesses a 3-2 victory over Arsenal that bore the hallmark of champions

NOW they had better believe it. Newcastle United, having one-third of the play and scoring three-fifths of the goals, proved to the Arsenal manager, George Graham, to a crowd of 36,819, to anybody who has any doubts, that they are genuine championship material.

"Obviously, I'm disappointed," Graham said. "But let's praise the game. We did something unlike Arsenal, we gave two own-goals and a penalty, but I've got to say that they [Newcastle] were wonderful. Some of their movement from the front and the midfield boys was great, and though Newcastle are vulnerable at the back, they are very entertaining and, I admit, a real championship side in the making."

Agreed. It is not always that one comes to Highbury and hears superlatives roll off the tongue of the Arsenal manager, the creator of a side whose pragmatism has given it two championships, the FA Cup, the League Cup and the Cup Winners' Cup inside the last five years. But his every word was true, and so was the key adjective on the lips of Kevin Keegan and Peter Beardsley when they described the factor that won the match in the solitary word: inventiveness.

Some 5,000 Geordies made the journey from their citadel to witness Newcastle's sixth consecutive FA Carling Premiership victory, somehow finding the means in a place where the shipyards have run dry and unemployment has risen above the watermark. And those 5,000, constantly roaring against the throng of the Arsenal supporters, put an end to a lament, from the late Jackie Milburn, that what had gone wrong with his beloved club was that the supporters and the team were "poles apart".

No longer. The will of the supporters and the indefatigable running of the performers was cemented together throughout what Keegan, the manager, said was his team's most severe test, by far, this season. Yet it is the infectious way that Newcastle attack the game, even from the nominal casting of a five-man defence, that virtually implores the opposition to meet attacking brio in kind.

Arsenal do not instinctively think in such a vein, but yesterday they did, beginning as if in the knowledge that either you attack and counter-attack with Newcastle, or you finish defeated. The word counter could have been minted in black and white, the colour of the Magpies. For, after Arsenal had almost claimed the opening goal in the seventh minute, Srnicek saving instinctively from Merson, Newcastle broke to score. It took less than 30 seconds. The move swept down the right-hand side of the field and Beardsley, 33 years young, produced a right-foot shot superb in weight and accuracy. Maybe Seaman had it covered, but the goalkeeper was betrayed by Keown, choosing to attempt an acrobatic headed clearance. It merely deflected the ball inside the opposite post.

Arsenal are nothing if not resilient. They pounded Newcastle and equalised with their first league goal in five games. It followed a free kick from Schwarz, touched to Merson, whose shot was driven into the defensive wall. It bounced capriciously. Adams reacted quicker than Peacock, and when Srnicek once again attempted an astonishing reflex save, he was unlucky that the ball rebounded to the head of Adams, the Arsenal captain nodding it over the line.

Smith went close for Arsenal, and Newcastle were fortunate to take the lead again on the stroke of half-time. As Arsenal appealed for offside, Fox sped down the right and produced a cross of such deceptive flight that Seaman had no chance of reaching it. Albert, the free-spirited Belgian defender, would have done so, but Dixon, in panic, pushed him. A penalty for Beardsley, a second goal inevitable.

Newcastle alternated their resources, Beardsley stepping up to join Cole in attack, Fox dropping to the right side of midfield. Arsenal pounded forward, but once again the lack of a truly creative midfield player cost Arsenal dear.

Newcastle should have had a second penalty when Schwarz blatantly pulled down Sellars. Instead of crying over that, Newcastle responded within a minute. Beardsley's craft, his jinking run, undid Arsenal, and when his shot rose off Dixon, Fox was nimble, quick and grateful. His shot struck the underside of the crossbar, came down, and found its way over the line off the thigh of Keown. An own-goal, if you like, but Fox deserved the credit.

Arsenal were now chasing consolations, and one came moments from time when Wright, having earlier missed a simple header, reminded us of his quality with a fine half-volley. But consolation it is. Arsenal are now 13 points behind the leaders, and it will take a better team to stop Newcastle now.

Cole and Beardsley lead the celebrations as Newcastle United go four points clear at the top of the table

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Masterly show by Woosnam

Ian Woosnam, above, completed a day of remarkable scoring at the Dunhill British Masters at Woburn yesterday by taking the title by four strokes. Starting seven strokes behind Severiano Ballesteros, Woosnam had a 63, nine under par, in the morning, followed by a 67 in the afternoon. He was 14 under par for the final day of the rain-delayed tournament .....Page 24

Mansell's luck out

Nigel Mansell's miserable IndyCar season continued when he was forced to retire from his last oval circuit race in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, after 95 laps yesterday. Mansell started from third place on the grid but suffered handling problems .....Page 31

Title win

Peter Haining, the defending champion, completed a weekend of success for the British team when he retained his title in the lightweight sculls competition at the world rowing championships in Indianapolis .....Page 35

Warwickshire take step into history

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

BRISTOL (Gloucestershire won toss): Warwickshire (4pts) beat Gloucestershire by 46 runs

COUNTY cricket has never known such domination and may never know it again. Victory at Bristol yesterday decided the AXA Equity & Law League title and brought Warwickshire the treble that had eluded all-comers since the domestic honours were split four ways in 1972. The grand slam was missed by a whisker, or maybe by the toss of a coin, but last night nobody was in the mood for regrets.

The Nevil Road ground, virtually full for the first time in seven years, echoed to Brummie chants as Dermot Reeve lifted one more trophy. Their prize-money for the season is now close to £150,000, small change in the worlds of golf or motor racing but a heady fortune in their own, relatively impecunious arena.

This was not their most compelling performance. On a poor pitch, they beat the bottom side, Gloucestershire, only after a struggle. But, as has unfailingly been the case in this astounding season, they were resourceful under the sort of pressure that buckles lesser teams. They won this last battle the assertive way, having no need for the failsafe of Kent falling at their own final hurdle.

You do not win three competitions without surviving some scrapes and yesterday's loss of three wickets before a run was scored off the bat featured high on the list. It would have been four wickets if Courtney Walsh had not dropped a simple catch at mid-wicket, and this proved the pivotal moment of the day. Trevor Penney, missed second ball on nought, made the highest score of the match.

This has been the way of it all summer, as a team that set out unsung and unfancied by all outside their own environs grew in stature with each new conquest. The headlines have often been claimed by Brian Lara but matches have been won by diverse characters such as Roger Twose, Neil Smith, Graeme Welch and the heroic Tim Munton.

They have been won, too, by Gladstone Small and there was pleasing symmetry in his capture of three cheap wickets yesterday. Small is the lone survivor of Warwickshire's only previous Sunday League title, 14 years ago. He was just 18 then, and shared the seam bowling that summer with Bob Willis and John Snow.

Inevitably, however, Lara was once more the focus of yesterday's attention. As usual, he had arrived late, and for the third time this summer he had come via Trinidad, after more compassionate leave. Warwickshire have been as good to him as he has to them, and Lara must know he cannot complain of fatigue while he follows such a punishing commercial schedule. Once on the field, though, his contribution is beyond reproach.

As he survived the early carnage and made a disciplined 38 before falling to a spectacular but controversial catch at third man, it was pertinent to reflect that Lara was only an afterthought by Warwickshire. Their initial target, even before the abortive affair with Manoj Prabhakar, was David Boon, who finally turned them down as the club prevaricated. Yesterday, by great irony, it was announced that Boon will be Gloucestershire's overseas player next year.

Boon is an astute signing, as anyone who has watched Gloucestershire bat this year will acknowledge. The talk of a token fast bowler was quashed by acceptance that Walsh is irreplaceable in that sphere. Not so in certain others, judged by yesterday's evidence. His tactics at times were baffling, failing to cover the reverse sweep that everyone knows is Warwickshire's favourite stroke and then leaving himself one over short of the quota.

Thanks first to Lara, and later to Penney and Reeve, who put on 75 in 11 overs, Warwickshire crept to 183. They then bowled so tightly that Gloucestershire sought momentum in vain.

Matt Windows and Bobby Dawson, two young players who will benefit from Boon's presence as so many of Warwickshire's have from Lara's, added 50 in 11 overs but from 93 for three they lost five wickets for 16. Warwickshire's supporters were celebrating even before the sponsors' helicopter delivered their latest trophy.

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TABLE

	P	W	L	D	NR	Pts
Warwicks (10)	17	13	3	0	1	54
Worcs (16)	17	12	4	0	1	50
Kent (2)	17	12	5	0	0	48
Lancashire (6)	17	11	5	0	1	46
Yorkshire (9)	17	10	6	0	1	42
Surrey (3)	17	9	5	0	3	42
Glamorgan (1)	17	9	6	1	1	40
Derbyshire (11)	17	8	7	0	2	38
Durham (7)	17	8	7	1	3	32
Leics (14)	17	7	9	0	1	30
Notts (17)	17	6	8	0	3	30
Hampshire (15)	17	7	10	0	0	28
Northants (5)	17	6	9	1	1	28
Middlesex (8)	17	6	10	0	1	26
Sussex (4)	17	5	11	0	1	22
Somerset (18)	17	5	12	0	0	20
Essex (12)	17	4	11	1	1	20
Glouce (13)	17	4	12	0	1	18

(1993 positions in brackets)

Ballesteros second as Welshman gives talent full rein to take British Masters title at Woburn

Irresistible Woosnam delivers timely reminder



Ballesteros: no complaints

BY JOHN HOPKINS
GOLF CORRESPONDENT

JETS and light aircraft circled Woburn golf club yesterday afternoon as if in aerial salute to a day of remarkable scoring that ended with Ian Woosnam comfortably winning the Dunhill British Masters.

Woosnam, one of the game's most naturally talented golfers, was reminding those who had begun to doubt his desire that he can still play superb golf when the mood is with him. It certainly was when the third and fourth rounds of this rain-delayed tournament were completed in one hectic 12-hour spell.

Woosnam staged a smash and grab raid on this, the last stroke-play event in Britain on the 1994 PGA European Tour. At the start of the third round, he was seven strokes behind Severiano Ballesteros, the leader: a Ballesteros, furthermore, who was playing well. Woosnam made light of this and other obstacles. He shouldered his way to the front of a most distinguished field to win by four strokes. To put it another way, he gave Ballesteros a seven-stroke start over 36 holes and beat him by four.

Woosnam was irresistible. Not for a long time can he have put together two rounds such as those he played before and after his Sunday lunch. He had a 63, nine under par, in the morning, followed by a 67 in the afternoon. So he was 14 under par for the day — 14 birdies, no bogeys. Nobody could withstand such golf, not even Ballesteros, whose rounds of 69 and 73 were made to seem as nothing in comparison with Woosnam's.

Ballesteros gave the measure of Woosnam's play. "I have nothing to complain about," Ballesteros said. "Ian played fantastic to shoot 14 under today. In a way, I feel I won the tournament, for today he was playing a different course from the rest of us." Colin Montgomerie, 70 and 68, and Bernhard Langer, 65 and 71, shared third place on 12 under par, one stroke behind Ballesteros.

Miguel Martin seemed a likely challenger to Ballesteros after a 65 in the morning and playing the front nine in 29 in the fourth round. His putting was quite sensational. He took ten putts on the first nine holes. Sergio Gomez, the agreeable manager of José María Olazábal, came in off the course after seeing Martin's front-nine performance wearing the air of a man in a daze. He could not remember seeing anything like it.

Martin, however, is not blessed with Woosnam's fortitude. Whereas Woosnam, once there, always stays in contention, Martin tends to get near the front and then fade. Sure enough, he double-bogeyed the 14th as Woosnam was birdying the 16th for a three-stroke swing and then dropped one stroke on the 15th and four strokes on the 16th as well.

This event is one of those tournaments at which spectators fit into two camps. There are the hard core, as personified by Joyce Faldo, Nick's mother, wearing trainers, who was clearly in attendance to watch as much golf as possible. They carry beer crates or milk crates on which to stand to watch. Then there are the browsers and sluicers, for whom this tournament is corporate entertainment, who wear smart country clothes and hopeless shoes.

Woosnam's supporters tended to be from the first camp and they were keen to relate to the little man in black, who looked transformed from the sad, sighing, downcast figure we have seen so often lately. When Woosnam is interested, as he clearly was yesterday, he walks even more quickly and seems to take even less time at the address. That lovely, smooth swing of his just works again and again, effortlessly propelling a stream of gloriously struck shots to within a few feet of their targets.

For example, he birdied the 11th, 12th and 13th, hitting a five-iron to six feet on the 11th and three feet on the 12th and an eight-iron to three feet on the 13th. On the 16th, his eight-iron ruled the flag. "Be the right club," he urged as the ball was in flight. When it landed, ten feet from the flag, it was clear that it had been the correct club.

Woosnam's back has always given him trouble, but one reason for his good form at Woburn was that he is working with a new physiotherapist, a man who was with Wolverhampton Wanderers football club, who has given him a little more flexibility. Also, Woosnam is doing new exercises that he hopes will strengthen his weak back muscles.

This was a particularly satisfying win, Woosnam said. "A few things have been said about me — that I have lost interest in the game and I don't seem to be trying, that I have enough money," Woosnam said. "I think this will prove a point. It is true I own a jet, but it does have to be paid for." Many more performances as good as this one and Woosnam will be able to consider buying a second jet plane.

LEADING FINAL ROUND SCORES

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Marshall makes Jansher dig deep for victory

FROM COLIN McQUILLAN
IN BARCELONA

JANSHER Khan, of Pakistan, is still squash champion of the world, but a very relieved one after resisting Peter Marshall, of England, 10-15, 15-11, 15-8, 15-5 in yesterday's 84-minute final of the Ballantines world open championship at the Palau Municipal Des Esport here.

It was an important victory for the 25-year-old from Nawakilli, who acknowledged earlier in the week that pressures from home for uninterrupted success were beginning to weigh heavily. This was his sixth win from seven finals over eight years and, perhaps most important, it equalled the event record that stood alone to his compatriot, Jahangir Khan.

Jansher said: "I thought about withdrawing earlier this week and when I lost the first game I started thinking about what could happen to me if I did not win in a world open final."

He added that he had carried a painful muscle tissue tear around the right ankle since before the Hong Kong Open he won two weeks ago, then worsened the condition trying to hide it from Marshall when losing to him in the European club finals in Paris last weekend.

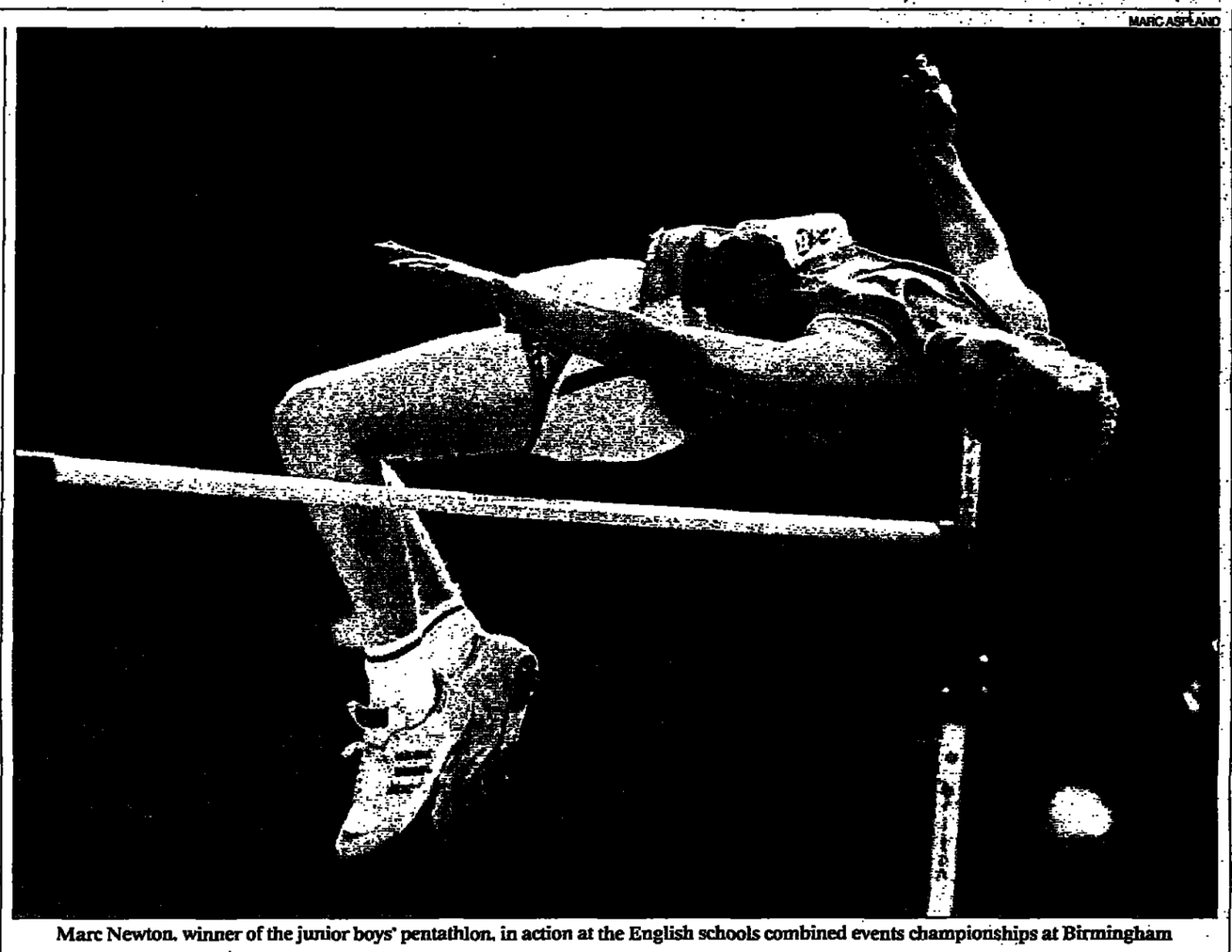
"I did not want to come to the world open and lose in the first or second round," Janshir explained. "My cousin Mehboob, who travels with me, said you are the world champion so go and show them that you are."

In view of all this, it may have been fortunate for Jansher that he had the easier half of the draw, dealing straightforwardly with Philip Whitlock, Chris Walker and Rodney Eyles.

Marshall's double-handed style took him past Peter Nicol, of Scotland, just as it did in the Classic National final in January, and for a game and a half yesterday, it seemed that the first Englishman to reach a world open final might fulfil Janshir's worst expectations also.

"My early game went according to plan," Marshall said, "but when he started varying the pace and lifting the ball around the court, I lost contact with him and then gradually lost energy. It is frustrating. Again I felt a little closer to him. But in the end he was too good."

MARC ASPLAND



Marc Newton, winner of the junior boys' pentathlon, in action at the English schools combined events championships at Birmingham

Daley reminder inspires new generation

BY JOHN GOODBODY

DALEY Thompson is an icon of athletics. The memory of his feats is present at any championship that demands all-round ability and was even evident at the TSB English schools combined events championships at the weekend as 254 competitors clustered into the Alexander Stadium in Birmingham.

As Graham Rowland, one of the squad of supporters of Marc Newton, winner of the junior boys' pentathlon, put it: "Since Daley retired, people do not think these events are going on any more — but they are."

Yet is it salutary to recall that Thompson never took part in multi-events at the age of 14. Bruce Longdon, who coached him from the age of 17 to 23 said: "I like teenagers to do other sports as well as athletics. They are part of physical training. Daley liked football when he was young and it was only later, when he decided he wanted to be an outstanding athlete, that he gave up playing in leagues."

Thompson's female international contemporary, Judy Simpson, said: "The important thing at school age is to enjoy yourself. Athletics should be a leisure-time activity with a teenager aiming for good exam results."

Newton, a composed and focused 14-year-old from Staffordshire, also enjoys football and basketball. "But I like the competitiveness of athletics and I enjoy the variety of doing several events. If I eventually felt that I just wanted to do athletics and football was not the right game because of the chance of injuries, then I would give up the game."

At the moment it is neither suitable nor necessary. He showed a disciplined application far beyond his years on Saturday. Despite what his coach, Jim Talbot, described as "the worst shot put I have ever seen him do", Newton was unflurried and totalled 3,173 points, only 14 short of his British age-group record.

Talbot said: "Marc has a very professional head for a young boy. I have cut down on the work he was doing to concentrate on teaching the skills. It is the ability to learn skills and retain them that probably is the most important thing for a future decathlete."

Newton finished 149 points ahead of Tom Benn, of Essex, who was ahead after the first three disciplines but has yet to do the technical work on the high jump and long jump to challenge Newton more closely. Benn admires ... Daley Thompson: "He had finished his career before I had become interested in athletics, but I have seen the Olympic film *Sixteen Days of Glory*. That was really good."

SPORT IN SCHOOLS

Does he admire any competitor more recently? "Well, Dan O'Brien [the American world record-holder], if he had delivered at the Olympic Games [the American failed to qualify for Barcelona]. He is more talented than Daley, but has not got the same attitude."

Newton's most persistent competition had been expected to come from Kevin Drury, from Shropshire. The pair had both broken the British age-group record in the recent Welsh championships.

While waiting for his round in the long jump, however, Drury tried to keep warm and loose in the wintry wind by leaping some hurdles. He turned his ankle and was a picture of desolation as he lay on the track. Newton was the first to console him and Drury had to retire.

Newton said: "We are good mates. I am always aware in a competition where he is and how many points he has got."

Curiously, both boys admire not an international decathlete nor a British competitor but the Cuban, Javier Sotomayor, the world high jump record-holder. Newton said: "His style and technique are so relaxed but he has got the killer instinct." Drury agrees: "I went to see him jump at Liverpool. He just goes up and up and up."

It was indeed on the high jump, the fourth discipline, that Newton overhauled Benn with a clearance of 1.83 metres, only 1cm short of his best.

There was certainly no evidence at the weekend that the troubles of elite athletics this year, including the recent spate of positive drug tests, has damaged the sport at schoolboy level. Paul Sanderson, secretary of the Shropshire Schools' AAA said: "I do not think there has been any drop-off in numbers. In fact, the reverse. Our club at Telford has been bubbling.

"Parents are not worried about the bad publicity the sport has had. They realise it is a completely different world where any problems are."

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Kenyans close to half-marathon best

THE fastest half-marathon seen in Britain ended with a sprint yesterday when Benson Masya and Moses Tanui, of Kenya, produced the closest finish in the 13-year history of the Great North Run, from Newcastle to South Shields (David Powell writes). For all but the last two miles, a world best seemed likely. Masya's 60min 02sec and Tanui's 60min 03sec were the second and third fastest times on record, inferior only to Tanui's world best of 59min 47sec.

Andrew Pearson, the British pacemaker, lasted only two miles, so fierce was the running. Masya led all the way. Had Tanui and Paul Tergat, who finished third, mucked in, the world best may have fallen. "I had to do all the work myself, otherwise we might have broken the record," Masya said.

Osborn's winning visit

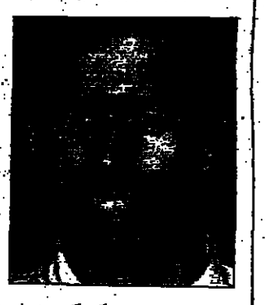
HOCKEY: The new rule that permits a substitute to come on, take a short corner and go off again was successfully implemented in the National Hockey League yesterday by Reading, who beat Teddington 1-0 with a goal by Osborn in the 59th minute (Sydney Friskin writes).

Havant, the defending champions, who drew 1-1 with Stourport the previous week, suffered another setback in a goalless match away to Indian Gymkhana. However, there were big wins for Southgate, who beat Bournville 5-1, and Hounslow, who scored four times without reply against Trojans. Warr scored three for Southgate.

Autissier takes lead

YACHTING: Isabelle Autissier, the Frenchwoman skippering the 60-foot yacht, *Ecureuil Poitou-Charentes 2*, had established a seven-mile lead after 24 hours of the BOC Challenge solo round-the-world race. The British skippers, Mark Gatehouse and Josh Hall, were sixth and tenth respectively in the 18-strong fleet.

McRae speeds ahead



MOTOR RALLYING: Colin McRae, right, from Scotland, extended his narrow lead over the world champion, Juha Kankkunen, on the third day of the Australian Rally in Perth. Beginning 16 seconds ahead, McRae drove superbly in his Subaru Imprezza to gain another seven seconds on the Finn, the defending champion. McRae's overall time is 4hr 8min 57sec after 25 stages.

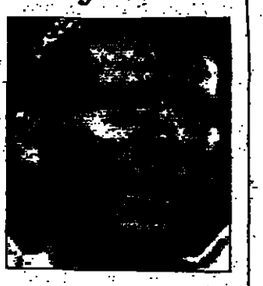
Ivanisevic stumbles

TENNIS: The unseeded Franco Davin, of Argentina, beat Goran Ivanisevic, the No 1 seed, 6-2, 6-4, yesterday to win the Romanian Open final in Bucharest. Ivanisevic's power failed him as he served nine double-faults and frequently volleyed into the net. "I had one of my worst days this year," the Croat said. Davin is ranked 93rd in the world.

Wales retain title

BOWLS: Wales won the junior men's international series for the third year in succession yesterday. They beat England by ten shots and Ireland defeated Scotland by 17, with Wales taking the title from Ireland by virtue of a marginally superior shots aggregate. Neil Collett and Andrew Fleming skipped the most successful Wales rinks.

Chávez stops Taylor



BOXING: Julio César Chávez, right, weathered an early storm to beat Meldrick Taylor, of the United States, and retain his World Boxing Council super-lightweight title in Las Vegas on Saturday. Mills Lane, the referee, stopped the scheduled 12-round bout after the 32-year-old Mexican had landed a left hook early in the eight round that sent Taylor reeling to the floor.

Champions start well

BASKETBALL: Thames Valley Tigers made a successful return from their spectacular European championship success in Holland, making light work of Derby Bucks on the opening day of the Budweiser League season. The champions' 117-94 win came with the help of 33 points from Peter Scantlebury and 22 from Steve Bucknall.

Flyers keep on flying

ICE HOCKEY: At the halfway stage of the Benson and Hedges Cup group matches, both Fife Flyers and Sheffield Steelers boast 100 per cent records. The Flyers won at Teesside Bombers and the Steelers had an easy victory over Romford Raiders. Nottingham Panthers gained their fourth win in five games, beating Milton Keynes Kings.

Stars in stripes ride spring tides of September



BARNES ON MONDAY

In football, spring comes in September. Visit a league ground before the season starts: every pitch is green and lovely, every club a champion. As the leaves turn brown, so in football the sap rises and everything swells with new life.

But spring's lease hath all too short a date: normally by this stage of the season, we have settled for the usual depressing slither that takes us straight from spring to discontented winter.

Not this time. In this September springtime, there seems to be something in the air. Domestic football is all lit up with wild romance, and even rugby union, the last refuge of the mean-souled tactician, is shedding some light of its own.

Tottenham Hotspur and Klinsmann led the way with their Famous Five attack. But it has all gone wrong, and they got stuffed by Leicester on Saturday.

But never mind Spurs: they were just stalking horses for the real thing. Yesterday Newcastle paid a visit to a club that for decades has revelled in being called Boring Arsenal. Newcastle won 3-2, and that made it six wins out of six, and 22 goals.

Meanwhile, in rugby union, Wasps played their second league game on Saturday and took their season's total to 112 points. Union is the only game in history that makes a virtue of keeping one third of the team out of the fray. Wasps have amazed people by allowing all 15 players to touch the ball on a regular basis.

In football, it would be nice to think that the new and stricter interpretation of the rules had something to do with it. That, after all, was what gave us "the splendid World Cup.

But referees have been under constant criticism from pundits. Now, pundits are mainly football managers, ex-football managers and the lackeys and mouthpieces of footbal managers. These people tell us it is bad for the game if we punish cheating. Alas, refs are infiltrating back the old *laissez-faire* attitude to tackles, and with it, the old interventionist stance on offside.

Managers. That is the problem: or to put it another way, the question of control. Managers seek control even more desperately than they seek results: after all, results come your way, by and large, while control is far more elusive.

But if you allow players to tackle man and ball, you have taken a giant step towards the eradication of the unpredictable. And if you allow players to run away from the ball, all in a silly line with their hands stuck up in the air, then you have struck a monstrous blow for predictability.

Managers love it. For these devices deny forwards a yard, or a second: they make the game easier for a manager to control. And if you are a rugby coach, the safe and predictable game lies in forwards and kicking: not in running and passing among the five outsiders.

The reverence for managerial opinion changed the way we look at games. A love affair with jargon suckered us in, and made us share the managerial worship of predictability. As if in sport, certainty was truth, when the exact opposite is true.

But I have news for every coach and manager everywhere, in every sport. *It is not your game.* Games belong to spectators and to players. Truth lies in that which is beyond a manager's reach, beyond analysis, beyond prediction.

Salute Kevin Keegan of Newcastle and Bob Smith of Wasps. For it takes a brave person to stake a future on the true nature of sport: to bet on unpredictability: to bet on attack. You must have faith that theplayers can, again and again, go where the coach's mind cannot follow, cannot predict.

The old myth of management was that unpredictable, uncontrollable football was bad: "Good spectators' game," said Joe Mercer, after the 1966 World Cup final.

But this season's new myth, which is also much older than the old myth, is that sport controlled is only the sport of fear: not real sport at all. Newcastle, and to an extent Wasps, have given us a few weeks of real sport: Sport Unbound. Can it go on? Even this late into the year, hope springs eternal.

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ALISTAIR GRANT



Thorpe follows through during his innings of 60 for Surrey at the Oval yesterday. He put on 115 for the second wicket with Bicknell

Kent stutter at news of failure

BY SIMON WILDE

THE OVAL (Kent won toss): Surrey (4pts) beat Kent by 24 runs

EVEN more than most, Kent have lived this season in the shadow of Warwickshire. In May, they were eliminated by them in the Benson and Hedges Cup in the bitter circumstances of a bowl-out. In August, they were knocked out of the NatWest Trophy semi-finals by them. Yesterday, the story was effectively the same in the AXA Equity & Law League.

For much of the day, events went well for Kent, who needed Warwickshire to lose while they themselves won. As the league leaders struggled with the bat at Bristol, Kent were doing an efficient job in restricting Surrey to 205 for eight at the Oval. As Gloucestershire made an admittedly slow start to their innings, Kent were racing to 122 for one in 19 overs.

But news of the clatter of Gloucestershire wickets was too much to bear, and the life went rushing out of the Kent innings like air from a punctured tyre. Within 12 overs, 137 for three became 181 all out as probable victory disappeared in the growing gloom into hopeless defeat. Ambitions of a first trophy for 16 years became reluctant acceptance of third place in the league.

In the midst of Kent's ignominy, one player took justified delight. James Boiling, who has been released by Surrey and was playing his last match for the county, bowled a tight eight-over spell and claimed three important victims in Hooper, Walker and Llong. By the time it was over, there were handshakes from his colleagues, waves to the crowd and a tearful eye had been wiped. His earlier first-ball dismissal was long forgotten.

Hooper's departure, to a fine catch at deep mid-wicket by Brown, was perhaps decisive, just as it had been in the NatWest Trophy semi-final at Edgbaston. In the following over, Fleming, with whom the Guyanan had added 81 sparkling runs in 13 overs, fell to another excellent catch, this time by Thorpe, diving at slip, and Kent's self-doubts began to creep in.

Nevertheless, Hooper will be remembered as the Sunday league player of the year. He not only scored more runs — 773 — than anyone else for the second season in succession, he also took 20 wickets with his tidy off-spin.

Fleming, in contrasting style, has also contributed much to Kent's cause in this competition. Yesterday, he took two wickets during seven inventive overs and scored a dashing 65 from 57 balls.

The collapse of the Surrey innings from 163 for three in 30 overs was more remarkable in view of the fact that only seven days earlier, they had made, at Scarborough, the highest total in Sunday league history.

Yesterday, while Thorpe, who made 60 at a run-per-ball, and Bicknell were enjoying a second-wicket association of 115 in 22 overs, they threatened another imposing total, but the big guns failed to fire. A paltry 42 were gleaned from the last quarter of the innings.

Hollioake, who struck 59 in 19 balls during the final charge at Scarborough, heaved down the wrong line against Patel. Bicknell, looking to accelerate after reaching 79 in the 35th over, made room to square drive against Fleming and was yorked. Stewart, holding himself back to No 6, was also yorked — by McCague in the last over — having spent 18 balls over 12.

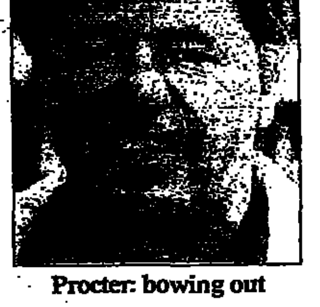
As the crowd drifted home, Chris Cowdrey, a former Kent player, could be seen with his brother, Graham, still in his Sunday strip, wending his way disconsolately across the outfield towards the car park. It is sobering to think that the last time Kent won a trophy, their illustrious father was not long retired.

Procter to be replaced

MIKE Procter, who has coached South Africa since their readmittance to the International Cricket Council (ICC) three years ago, will not have his contract renewed. This surprising decision was made after a meeting of the executive committee of the United Cricket Board (UCB), which is expected to make a new appointment within the next week (Ivo Tennant writes).

Ali Bacher, managing director of the UCB, said that it had been decided "to redefine the role" of the South Africa coach and suggested Procter had originally been appointed for diplomatic as well as cricketing reasons. "Mike was given the role for his knowledge of the international scene, his experience in the game and his outstanding ability to represent the team at media conferences and public functions," Bacher said in a statement.

"The executive believes, however, that a new phase has begun and that a major element is the appointment of a highly qualified technical coach." Three individuals whose names might be put forward to replace him are Eddie Barlow, Bob Woolmer and Jack Birkenshaw.



Procter: bowing out

Birkenshaw's Leicestershire resume, on the last day of the season, needing to beat Lancashire to make certain of finishing runners-up to Woolmer's Warwickshire. Given that they are 136 runs behind, a victory is unlikely. But Nottinghamshire, in third place, also have a great deal to do if they are to finish £24,250 the richer.

Worcestershire finished second in the Axa Equity & Law League as a result of beating Durham. They are £15,500 better off. Rhodes made an unbeaten 46 from 38 balls and Newport and Radford each took three wickets. It completed a notable season for Worcestershire, runners-up in two limited-overs competitions in addition to winning the NatWest Trophy.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

AXA Equity & Law League

Essex v Northamptonshire

CHELMSFORD (Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire (4pts) beat Essex by one run

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

R R Montgomerie c Rollins b Kasprowicz 21
†A Fordham b Stephenson 15
T C Walton c Hussain b Such 34
K M Curran b Stephenson 9
D J Sales not out 70
†R J Warren run out 23
A L Penberthy c Such b Kasprowicz 7
A R Roberts run out 20
M N Bowen not out 1
Extras (b 1, lb 18, w 8, nb 8) 35
Total (7 wkts, 39 overs) 227

J P Taylor and N G B Cook did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-78, 3-94, 4-100, 5-149, 6-183, 7-214

BOWLING: Ilott 8-0-51-0; Kasprowicz 8-0-38-2; Cousins 8-0-51-0; Such 8-0-31-1; Stephenson 7-0-37-2

ESSEX

*G A Gooch c Cook b Penberthy 48
N V Knight lbw b Curran 4
N Hussain c and b Roberts 74
P J Prichard not out 65
R C Irani lbw b Taylor 15
J P Stephenson not out 4
Extras (lb 11, w 3, nb 2) 16
Total (4 wkts, 39 overs) 226

M S Kasprowicz, †R J Rollins, M C Ilott, P M Such and D M Cousins did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-96, 3-193, 4-221

BOWLING: Taylor 8-0-53-1; Curran 8-1-32-1; Penberthy 8-1-50-1; Bowen 6-0-27-0; Walton 4-0-19-0; Cook 3-0-25-0; Roberts 2-0-[illegible]

Umpires: A G T Whitehead and T E Jesty

Gloucestershire v Warwickshire

BRISTOL (Gloucestershire won toss): Warwickshire (4pts) beat Gloucestershire by 46 runs

WARWICKSHIRE

D P Ostler c Davies b Williams 0
N M K Smith c Alleyne b Smith 0
B C Lara c Smith b Alleyne 32
R G Twose c Russell b Smith 0
T L Penney c Ball b Walsh 56
*D A Reeve c Alleyne b Walsh 50
G Welch lbw b Walsh 0
†K J Piper c Wright b Alleyne 6
P A Smith not out [illegible]
G C Small not out 7
Extras (lb 11, w 6, nb 8) 25
Total (8 wkts, 39 overs) 183

T A Munton did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-1, 3-5, 4-71, 5-145, 6-146, 7-165, 8-172

BOWLING: Williams 8-2-29-1; Smith 8-0-24-2; Walsh 7-1-24-3; Alleyne 5-0-37-2; Ball 5-0-36-0; Davies 3-0-25-0

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

A J Wright lbw b Munton 3
M G N Windows b Smith 47
T H C Hancock c Piper b Small 7
M W Alleyne c Piper b Welch 7
R I Dawson st Piper b Davis 29
†R C Russell lbw b Davis 4
M C J Ball c Smith b Small 3
*C A Walsh c Twose b Small 0
R C Williams st Piper b Reeve 9
M Davies not out 10
A M Smith c Munton b Smith 7
Extras (lb 7, w 4) 11
Total (37 overs) 137

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-30, 3-43, 4-93, 5-101, 6-104, 7-104, 8-109, 9-124

BOWLING: Reeve 5-0-17-1; Munton 6-3-16-1; Small 8-2-25-3; Welch 4-1-16-1; Smith 6-0-28-2; Davis 6-0-28-2

Umpires: K J Lyons and P B Wight

Hampshire v Glamorgan

SOUTHAMPTON (Hampshire won toss): Hampshire (4pts) beat Glamorgan by seven wickets

GLAMORGAN

S P James run out 4
A Dale c Whitaker b Connor 3
D L Hemp b James 13
*M P Maynard c Whitaker b James 37
P A Cottey lbw b Thursfield 9
O D Gibson c Aymes b Udal 1
R D B Croft run out 0
R P Lefebvre c Aymes b James 25
†C P Metson not out 26
S L Watkin c Aymes b Connor 6
S R Barwick b Connor 5
Extras (lb 11, w 3, nb 2) 16
Total (37.5 overs) 145

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-16, 3-33, 4-52, 5-55, 6-55, 7-83, 8-107, 9-127

BOWLING: Connor 7.5-1-33-3; Bovill 6-0-19-0; James 8-0-37-3; Udal 6-0-27-1; Thursfield 6-3-10-1; Whitaker 2-0-8-0

HAMPSHIRE

V P Terry not out 78
P R Whitaker c Hemp b Watkin 5
R A Smith c Lefebvre b Croft 18
G W White c Dale b Lefebvre 23
*M C J Nicholas not out 10
Extras (b 3, lb 4, w 5) 12
Total (3 wkts, 36.2 overs) 146

K D James, †A N Aymes, M J Thursfield, S D Udal, C A Connor and J N B Bovill did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-67, 3-132

BOWLING: Lefebvre 8-1-19-1; Watkin 8-0-30-1; Croft 8-1-34-1; Barwick 7-0-16-0; Gibson 3-0-18-0; Dale 2-0-21-0; Hemp 0.2-0-1-0

Umpires: J C Balderstone and G Sharp

Lancashire v Leicestershire

OLD TRAFFORD (Leicestershire won toss): Lancashire (4pts) beat Leicestershire by 47 runs

LANCASHIRE

M A Atherton c and b Pierson 40
N J Speak c MacMillan b Dakin 7
J P Crawley c Robinson b Simmons 35
N H Fairbrother b Dakin 40
G D Lloyd c Dakin b Wells 14
I D Austin c Dakin b Wells 2
*M Watkinson c Parsons b Simmons 10
†W K Hegg c Robinson b Wells 21
G Yates run out 7
P J Martin not out [illegible]
G Chapple not out [illegible]
Extras (lb 3, lb 5, w 3) [illegible]
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs) 210

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-78, 3-109, 4-140, 5-145, 6-170, 7-174, 8-[illegible], 9-204

BOWLING: Parsons 8-0-18-0; Dakin 8-0-48-2; Wells 8-0-47-3; Pierson 8-0-46-1; Simmons 8-0-46-2

LEICESTERSHIRE

P V Simmons c Lloyd b Watkinson 44
*N E Briers b Martin 8
G I MacMillan c Fairbrother b Watkinson [illegible]
P E Robinson b Yates 11
V J Wells c Hegg b Watkinson [illegible]
B F Smith b Chapple 28
D L Maddy c Lloyd b Yates 14
†P A Nixon c Crawley b Austin 15
J M Dakin b Watkinson [illegible]
G J Parsons c Atherton b Martin 4
A R K Pierson not out 3
Extras (lb 7, w 6, nb 4) 17
Total (36.5 overs) 163

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-54, 3-79, 4-83, 5-89, 6-117, 7-140, 8-153, 9-[illegible]

BOWLING: Martin 6.5-0-25-2; Chapple 8-0-34-1; Austin 6-0-26-1; Watkinson 8-0-34-4; Yates 8-1-36-2

Umpires: B Dudleston and R Julian

Nottinghamshire v Middlesex

NOTTINGHAM (Middlesex won toss): Middlesex (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by six wickets

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

*R T Robinson lbw b Weekes 44
M P Dowman b Fraser [illegible]
J C Adams c Carr b Williams [illegible]
P Johnson c Williams b Johnson [illegible]
P R Pollard c Roseberry b Johnson 46
†W M Noon st Brown b Tufnell [illegible]
K P Evans not out [illegible]
G W Mike handled ball [illegible]
J E Hindson run out [illegible]
Extras (b 4, w 4, nb 2) 10
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs) 180

R J Chapman and D B Pennett did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-[illegible], 2-[illegible], 3-72, 4-[illegible], 5-120, 6-144, 7-144, 8-180

BOWLING: Fraser 8-1-20-1; Williams 8-1-27-1; Johnson 8-0-43-2; Weekes 8-1-27-1; Tufnell 8-0-39-1

MIDDLESEX

P N Weekes b Mike 56
J C Pooley b Mike 55
M R Ramprakash b Adams 3
M A Roseberry run out 14
J D Carr not out 15
†K R Brown not out 30
Extras (lb 4, w 8) 12
Total (4 wkts, 38.3 overs) 184

*M W Gatting, R L Johnson, N F Williams, A R C Fraser and P C R Tufnell did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-106, 2-111, 3-117, 4-138

BOWLING: Evans 8-0-32-0; Chapman 5.3-0-30-0; Hindson 2-0-17-0; Mike 8-1-47-2; Pennett 7-0-35-0; Adams 8-0-19-1

Umpires: D J Constant and J D Bond

Somerset v Derbyshire

TAUNTON (Somerset won toss): Derbyshire (4pts) beat Somerset by seven wickets

SOMERSET

M N Lathwell c Base b Wells 0
M E Trescothick b Wells 17
R J Harden c Adams b Base 57
P C L Holloway c Krikken b Warner 7
G D Rose c Krikken b Warner 1
S C Ecclestone c Steer b DeFreitas 44
*A N Hayhurst not out 31
†R J Turner c Cork b Base 9
N A Mallender b Base 6
A R Caddick not out 1
Extras (lb 2, w 7, nb 8) 17
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs) 190

H R J Trump did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-40, 3-71, 4-76, 5-112, 6-148, 7-186, 8-181

BOWLING: Wells 8-1-26-2; DeFreitas 8-0-37-1; Warner 8-0-46-2; Base 8-0-31-3; Cork 8-0-48-0

DERBYSHIRE

D G Cork c Hayhurst b Rose 11
P D Bowler not out 66
C J Adams c Turner b Caddick 23
T J G O'Gorman c Turner b Trump 12
*K J Barnett not out 56
Extras (lb 13, w 6, nb 4) 23
Total (3 wkts, 38.3 overs) 191

†K M Krikken, C M Wells, P A J DeFreitas, A E Warner, S J Base and I G S Steer did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-52, 3-88

BOWLING: Ecclestone 8-0-39-0; Rose 8-3-13-1; Caddick 8-0-34-1; Trump 7.3-0-37-1; Mallender 7-0-49-0

Umpires: J H Hampshire and D R Shepherd

Surrey v Kent

THE OVAL (Kent won toss): Surrey (4pts) beat Kent by 24 runs

SURREY

D J Bicknell b Fleming [illegible]
A D Brown c Fleming b Wren [illegible]
G P Thorpe c Cowdrey b Hooper [illegible]
†D M Ward lbw b Fleming [illegible]
A J Hollioake b Patel [illegible]
*A J Stewart b McCague [illegible]
M A Butcher run out [illegible]
J Boiling c Marsh b McCague [illegible]
A C S Pigott not out [illegible]
J E Benjamin not out [illegible]
Extras (lb [illegible], w [illegible]) 13
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs) 205

C G Kenlock did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-[illegible], 3-[illegible], 4-172, 5-184, 6-[illegible], 7-[illegible], 8-[illegible]

BOWLING: Wren 8-0-[illegible]; Ealham 8-[illegible]; Hooper 8-1-30-1; McCague 7-0-[illegible]; Patel 5-0-[illegible]; Fleming 7-1-24-2

KENT

T R Ward c Ward b Pigott [illegible]
M V Fleming c Thorpe b Benjamin [illegible]
C L Hooper c Brown b Boiling [illegible]
M J Walker c Ward b Boiling [illegible]
G R Cowdrey c Thorpe b Hollioake 24
N J Llong st Stewart b Boiling [illegible]
M A Ealham run out [illegible]
†S A Marsh b Kenlock [illegible]
M J McCague c and b Hollioake [illegible]
M M Patel c Bicknell b Hollioake [illegible]
T N Wren not out [illegible]
Extras (lb 5, w 4) 9
Total (37.4 overs) 181

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-122, 3-[illegible], 4-137, 5-141, 6-142, 7-[illegible], 8-175, 9-[illegible]

BOWLING: Benjamin 8-0-20-1; Pigott 8-0-36-1; Butcher 2-0-12-0; Kenlock 5-0-21-1; Boiling 8-1-27-3; Hollioake 6.4-0-40-3

Umpires: B Leadbeater and N T Plews

Sussex v Yorkshire

HOVE (Sussex won toss): Yorkshire (4pts) beat Sussex by 37 runs

YORKSHIRE

*M D Moxon c Peirce b Jarvis [illegible]
D Byas b Remy [illegible]
†R J Blakey b Remy [illegible]
B Parker run out [illegible]
A P Grayson c Peirce b Remy [illegible]
A A Metcalfe not out [illegible]
P J Hartley c Stephenson b Giddins [illegible]
D Gough not out [illegible]
Extras (lb [illegible], w [illegible], nb [illegible]) [illegible]
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs) 214

S M Milburn, R D Stemp and M A Robinson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-37, 2-[illegible], 3-[illegible], 4-117, 5-194, 6-[illegible]

BOWLING: Stephenson 8-0-37-0; Giddins 7-1-44-1; Jarvis 7-0-37-1; Remy 8-0-[illegible]; Newell 4-0-25-0; Phillips 6-0-36-0

SUSSEX

N J Lenham c Grayson b Gough 5
K Newell lbw b Robinson 12
M T E Peirce b Robinson 6
*A P Wells c Hartley b Hamilton 64
K Greenfield c Hartley b Grayson 35
†P Moores b Gough 23
F D Stephenson c Byas b Hartley 16
C C Remy b Gough 5
P W Jarvis b Gough 5
N C Phillips not out [illegible]
E S H Giddins b Gough [illegible]
Extras (b 4, lb 8, w 4) 16
Total (39.3 overs) 177

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-15, 3-25, 4-102, 5-142, 6-155, 7-155, 8-166, 9-172

BOWLING: Hartley 8-0-35-1; Gough 7.3-1-13-5; Robinson 8-1-21-2; Hamilton 6-0-30-1; Stemp 5-0-29-0; Grayson 5-0-37-1

Umpires: R Palmer and P Willey

Worcestershire v Durham

WORCESTER (Durham won toss): Worcestershire (4pts) beat Durham by 26 runs

WORCESTERSHIRE

T M Moody c Daley b Bainbridge 1
*T S Curtis c Larkins b Wood 0
G A Hick c Scott b Bainbridge 26
G R Haynes lbw b Walker 13
D A Leatherdale c Scott b Graveney 31
M J Church c Scott b Wood 13
†S J Rhodes not out 46
S R Lampitt run out 23
N V Radford not out 1
Extras (lb 8, w 8, nb 2) 18
Total (7 wkts, 40 overs) 172

P J Newport and R K Illingworth did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-3, 3-34, 4-70, 5-88, 6-105, 7-171

BOWLING: Wood 8-2-26-2; Bainbridge 8-1-34-2; Cummins 8-1-26-0; Walker 8-0-44-1; Graveney 8-0-34-1

DURHAM

J I Longley st Rhodes b Illingworth 31
W Larkins lbw b Moody 0
S Hutton c Leatherdale b Newport 1
J A Daley run out 6
J E Morris c Illingworth b Radford 19
P Bainbridge c Church b Radford 27
A C Cummins c Haynes b Lampitt 3
†C W Scott b Newport 9
J Wood c Moody b Newport 28
A J Walker c Lampitt b Radford 7
*D A Graveney not out 4
Extras (lb 7, w 4) 11
Total (37.3 overs) 146

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-3, 3-31, 4-44, 5-89, 6-95, 7-96, 8-127, 9-140

BOWLING: Newport 7.3-2-21-3; Moody 8-1-21-1; Illingworth 8-0-37-1; Lampitt 7-1-28-1; Radford 7-0-32-3

Umpires: M J Kitchen and K E Palmer

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Somerset v Derbyshire

TAUNTON (third day of four): Somerset have scored 228 for four wickets against Derbyshire

SOMERSET: First Innings

M N Lathwell b DeFreitas 10
M E Trescothick c Rollins b Cork 51
R J Harden c Wells b Malcolm 95
P C L Holloway c Rollins b Cork 5
*A N Hayhurst not out 52
K A Parsons not out 4
Extras (b 4, lb 4, w 1, nb 2) 11
Total (4 wkts, 71 overs) 228

G D Rose, †R J Turner, A R Caddick, H R J Trump and A P van Troost to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-99, 3-117, 4-214

BOWLING: DeFreitas 14-4-28-1; Base 19-4-54-0; Malcolm 13-2-43-1; Wells 7-1-31-0; Cork 15-2-50-2; Steer 2-0-12-0; Adams 1-0-2-0

DERBYSHIRE: P D Bowler, †A S Rollins, C J Adams, T J G O'Gorman, *K J Barnett, P A J DeFreitas, D G Cork, C M Wells, S J Base, I G S Steer, D E Malcolm.

Bonus Points: Somerset 1 Derbyshire 1

Umpires: J H Hampshire and D R Shepherd

Worcestershire v Durham

WORCESTER (third day of four): Durham, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 158 runs behind Worcestershire

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

W P C Weston c Scott b Cummins 0
M J Church lbw b Brown 4
G A Hick b Cummins 24
T M Moody c Wood b Lugsden 159
G R Haynes c Scott b Cummins 40
D A Leatherdale b Cummins 18
S J Rhodes not out 55
S R Lampitt b Wood 15
P J Newport not out 2
Extras (lb 14, w 2, nb 18) 34
Total (7 wkts dec, 71.2 overs) 351

R K Illingworth and J E Brinkley did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-4, 3-56, 4-190, 5-240, 6-261, 7-342

BOWLING: Cummins 19-3-70-4; Brown 21-3-81-1; Lugsden 12-0-68-1; Wood 14.2-0-90-1; Bainbridge 5-0-28-0.

DURHAM: First Innings

W Larkins c Hick b Illingworth 21
S Hutton not out 81
J E Morris b Brinkley 12
J A Daley not out 60
Extras (lb 3, nb 16) 19
Total (2 wkts, 67 overs) 193

*P Bainbridge, D A Blenkiron, A C Cummins, †C W Scott, J Wood, S J E Brown and S Lugsden to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-64.

BOWLING: Newport 13-3-43-0; Brinkley 10-3-22-1; Lampitt 12-1-45-0; Illingworth 19-7-50-1; Hick 12-5-26-0; Church 1-0-4-0.

Bonus Points: Worcestershire 4 Durham 3

Umpires: M J Kitchen and K E Palmer

Sussex v Yorkshire

HOVE (third day of four). Sussex, with two second-innings wickets in hand, are 161 runs ahead of Yorkshire

SUSSEX: First Innings 228 (A P Wells 84; M A Robinson 4 for 44)

Second Innings

N J Lenham c Grayson b Robinson 17
C W J Athey c Byas b Gough 0
J W Hall c Blakey b Hartley 4
*A P Wells lbw b Gough 55
C C Remy lbw b Hartley 4
†P Moores b Gough 55
F D Stephenson lbw b Gough 0
P W Jarvis c Blakey b Hartley 22
I D K Salisbury not out 12
E E Hemmings not out 2
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 8) 10
Total (8 wkts) 181

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-11, 3-38, 4-51, 5-143, 6-143, 7-148, 8-169.

BOWLING: Gough 14-2-69-4; Hartley 15-4-42-3; Robinson 16-3-54-1; Stemp 8-3-15-0

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

*M D Moxon b Giddins 65
S A Kellett c Moores b Stephenson 1
D Byas run out 39
A P Grayson lbw b Jarvis 21
†R J Blakey not out 61
B Parker b Giddins 17
P J Hartley c Moores b Giddins 0
D Gough c Moores b Salisbury 5
R D Stemp b Giddins 5
G Keedy lbw b Salisbury 1
M A Robinson c Moores b Jarvis 7
Extras (lb 11, w 2, nb 10) 23
Total (73.3 overs) 246

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-109, 3-135, 4-139, 5-169, 6-181, 7-180, 8-205, 9-222.

BOWLING: Stephenson 14-3-50-1; Jarvis 18.3-4-64-2; Giddins 23-6-77-4; Salisbury 15-3-40-2; Hemmings 3-1-4-0.

Bonus Points: Sussex 5 Yorkshire 5

Umpires: R Palmer and P Willey.

Essex v Northamptonshire

CHELMSFORD (third day of four): Essex, with one first-innings wicket in hand, are 207 runs behind Northamptonshire.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

R R Montgomerie lbw b Childs 35
A Fordham lbw b Kasprowicz 17
R J Bailey c Knight b Childs 20
R J Warren c Garnham b Childs 0
*A J Lamb c Knight b Kasprowicz 114
K M Curran c Prichard b Kasprowicz 62
A L Penberthy c Garnham b Ilott 33
†D Ripley c Gooch b Ilott 31
A R Roberts c and b Childs 51
N G B Cook lbw b Kasprowicz 2
J P Taylor not out 7
Extras (b 12, lb 13, w 1, nb 6) 32
Total (125.3 overs) 404

Score at 120 overs: 387-9

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-70, 3-70, 4-121, 5-263, 6-270, 7-329, 8-348, 9-351

BOWLING: Kasprowicz 24.3-93-4; Ilott 29-3-82-2; Childs 31.3-12-104-4; Such 33-8-94-0; Stephenson 8-1-27-0.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch c Ripley b Roberts 60
N V Knight b Bailey 15
P J Prichard lbw b Bailey 3
N Hussain c Roberts b Cook 28
R C Irani c Lamb b Bailey 57
J P Stephenson c Bailey b Cook 19
†M A Garnham lbw b Bailey 1
M S Kasprowicz c Fordham b Cook 3
M C Ilott not out 1
P M Such b Bailey 0
J H Childs not out 0
Extras (b 12, lb 8) 20
Total (9 wkts, 68 overs) 187

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-48, 3-101, 4-115, 5-176, 6-181, 7-188, 8-197, 9-197.

BOWLING: Curran 5-0-16-0; Taylor 3-0-9-0; Cook 25-10-48-3; Bailey 22-8-59-5; Roberts 13-2-47-1.

Bonus Points: Essex 4 Northamptonshire 8

Umpires: T E Jesty and A G T Whitehead

Surrey v Kent

THE OVAL (third day of four): Surrey, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 375 runs behind Kent. Bad light stopped play.

KENT: First Innings

T R Ward lbw b Hollioake 109
M V Fleming c Brown b M P Bicknell 17
N R Taylor c Hollioake b Kenlock 20
M J Walker c Stewart b Kenlock 107
G R Cowdrey c Hollioake b Butcher 69
N J Llong c Butcher b Hollioake 37
M A Ealham c Ward b Kenlock 4
S A Marsh lbw b Butcher 47
M J McCague c Kenlock b Smith 6
M M Patel not out 9
T N Wren c D J Bicknell b Smith 0
Extras (lb 14, nb 6) 20
Total (108 overs) 445

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-56, 3-245, 4-268, 5-343, 6-352, 7-402, 8-431, 9-432

BOWLING: Benjamin 19-1-72-0; M P Bicknell 13-2-65-1; Kenlock 28-5-104-3; Smith 22-2-95-2; Hollioake 15-1-70-2; Butcher 9-2-25-2

SURREY: First Innings

D J Bicknell not out 35
M A Butcher c McCague b Ealham 20
G P Thorpe not out 15
Total (1 wkt, 20.2 overs) 70

A J Stewart, A D Brown, D M Ward, A J Hollioake, A W Smith, M P Bicknell, S G Kenlock and J E Benjamin to bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-41.

BOWLING: McCague 5-3-8-0; Wren 4-0-14-0; Patel 6-0-29-0; Ealham 5-1-17-1; Cowdrey 0.2-0-4-0.

Bonus Points: Surrey 4 Kent 4

Umpires: B Leadbeater and N T Plews.

Glos v Warwicks

BRISTOL (third day of four): Warwickshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 348 runs behind Gloucestershire

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

A J Wright c Piper b Davis 27
M G N Windows run out 63
G D Hodgson c Reeve b Davis 113
R I Dawson c Reeve b Davis 35
M W Alleyne c Piper b Welch 1
T H C Hancock c Piper b Davis 70
†R C Russell not out 17
R C Williams c Davis b Reeve 0
M C J Ball c Reeve b Davis 38
C A Walsh c Twose b Davis 2
Extras (lb 6) 6
Total (9 wkts dec, 111.5 overs) 372

A M Smith did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-39, 2-149, 3-220, 4-221, 5-297, 6-320, 7-321, 8-364, 9-372

BOWLING: Munton 11-3-34-0; Welch 13-4-38-1; Davis 41.5-12-128-6; N M K Smith 25-4-102-0; P A Smith 4-1-11-0; Twose 8-2-17-0; Reeve 8-1-36-1.

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

A J Moles not out 7
R G Twose not out 12
Extras (lb 1, nb 4) 5
Total (no wkt, 6.4 overs) 24

D P Ostler, T L Penney, *D A Reeve, P A Smith, G Welch, R P Davis, †K J Piper, N M K Smith and T A Munton to bat.

BOWLING: Walsh 3.4-1-13-0; Smith 3-0-10-0.

Bonus Points: Gloucestershire 4 Warwickshire 4

Umpires: K J Lyons and P B Wight.

Hampshire v Glamorgan

SOUTHAMPTON (third day of four): Glamorgan, with six first-innings wickets in hand, are 134 runs behind Hampshire

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

V P Terry c Metson b Watkin 15
P R Whitaker b Croft 38
G W White lbw b Watkin 9
R A Smith st Metson b Croft 29
*M C J Nicholas c Maynard b Watkin 48
†A N Aymes b Lefebvre 15
S D Udal c Hemp b Barwick 94
M J Thursfield b Watkin 47
C A Connor c Roseberry b Watkin 9
J N B Bovill c Maynard b Barwick 10
D P J Flint not out 3
Extras (b 2, lb 9, w 1, nb 2) 14
Total (117.4 overs) 331

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-60, 3-74, 4-107, 5-140, 6-191, 7-281, 8-291, 9-328.

BOWLING: Gibson 8-2-25-0; Lefebvre 24-3-68-1; Watkin 30-3-98-5; Barwick 25.4-6-64-2; Croft 30-7-65-2.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

S P James c Aymes b Connor 16
A Roseberry c Udal b Thursfield 65
D L Hemp c White b Udal 61
*M P Maynard b Udal 4
P A Cottey not out 32
R D B Croft not out 14
Extras (b 2, lb 3, nb 10) 15
Total (4 wkts, 53 overs) 187

R P Lefebvre, †C P Metson, O D Gibson, S L Watkin and S R Barwick to bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-135, 3-143, 4-169

BOWLING: Bovill 13-2-34-0; Connor 8-2-36-1; Thursfield 8-2-28-1; Flint 11-2-30-0; Udal 13-1-64-2.

Bonus Points: Hampshire 4 Glamorgan 4

Umpires: J C Balderstone and G Sharp

Lancashire v Leicestershire

OLD TRAFFORD (third day of four): Leicestershire, with all second-innings wickets in hand, are 136 runs behind Lancashire

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings 206 (P E Robinson 54, G Chapple 5 for 58)

Second Innings

P V Simmons not out 0
*N E Briers not out 13
Extras (lb 3) 3
Total (no wkt) 16

BOWLING: Martin 3-1-2-0; Chapple 3-0-11-0; Barnett 1-1-0-0.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

S P Titchard c Robinson b Millns 11
N J Speak b Wells 70
J P Crawley lbw b Parsons 70
G D Lloyd c Mullally b Pierson 51
I D Austin c Mullally b Pierson 35
*M A Atherton not out 47
†W K Hegg c Briers b Wells 33
G Yates c Simmons b Mullally 8
P J Martin b Wells 16
G Chapple c Nixon b Mullally 1
Extras (b 10, lb 8, w 4, nb 4) 26
Total (9 wkts dec, 112.3 overs) 358

A A Barnett did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-164, 3-176, 4-257, 5-260, 6-301, 7-316, 8-357, 9-358

BOWLING: Millns 17-3-74-1; Mullally 18.3-3-43-2; Parsons 22-6-56-1; Pierson 26-3-89-2; Simmons 13-2-42-0; Wells 16-5-36-3.

Bonus Points: Lancashire 8 Leicestershire 5

Umpires: B Dudleston and R Julian

Notts v Middlesex

NOTTINGHAM (third day of four): Middlesex, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 298 runs behind Nottinghamshire

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

P R Pollard lbw b Fraser 2
R T Robinson c Gatting b Emburey 37
G F Archer c Brown b Johnson 19
P Johnson b Fraser 45
J C Adams c Carr b Williams 19
G W Mike c Brown b Fraser 18
C C Lewis not out 153
M P Dowman b Emburey 28
†W M Noon not out 23
Extras (lb 9, w 1, nb 28) 38
Total (7 wkts dec, 109.3 overs) 350

K P Evans and D B Pennett did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-66, 3-66, 4-119, 5-155, 6-184, 7-296

BOWLING: Fraser 24-5-53-3; Williams 24.3-4-102-1; Johnson 19-3-73-1; Emburey 19-7-42-2; Tufnell 25-3-71-0

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

D L Haynes not out 24
M A Roseberry not out 23
Extras (lb 4, w 1) 5
Total (no wkt, 22.3 overs) 52

*M W Gatting, M R Ramprakash, J D Carr, †K R Brown, R L Johnson, J E Emburey, A R C Fraser, N F Williams and P C R Tufnell to bat.

BOWLING: Lewis 6-3-11-0; Evans 8-3-16-0; Mike 5.3-1-12-0; Pennett 3-1-9-0

Bonus Points: Nottinghamshire 4 Middlesex 3

Umpires: J D Bond and D J Constant

World Series one-day tournament

Final

Sri Lanka v India

COLOMBO (India won toss): India beat Sri Lanka by six wickets

SRI LANKA

R S Mahanama run out 2
*S T Jayasuriya c Bedade b Prabhakar 1
P A De Silva c Prasad b Chauhan 10
H P Tillekeratne c Kambli b Kapil 7
A Ranatunga c Chauhan b Kumble 13
R S Kalpage c Mongia b Prasad 32
U Chandana run out 2
†P B Dassanayake run out 1
K Dharmasena b Prabhakar 8
C Vaas not out 2
G P Wickramasinghe not out 3
Extras (lb 2, w 5, nb 3) 10
Total (9 wkts, 25 overs) 98

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-5, 3-24, 4-28, 5-64, 6-74, 7-76, 8-91, 9-95

BOWLING: Prabhakar 5-0-19-2; Prasad 5-0-17-1; Kumble 5-0-22-1; Chauhan 5-0-21-1; Kapil 5-0-17-1

INDIA

M Prabhakar c Jayasuriya b Wickramasinghe 10
S R Tendulkar c De Silva b Vaas 0
N S Sidhu lbw b Wickramasinghe 24
*M A Azharuddin c Mahanama b Vaas 45
V G Kambli not out 8
A Bedade not out 4
Extras (b4, lb1, w3) 8
Total (4 wkts, 23.4 overs) 99

K Dev, N Mongia, A Kumble, †R Chauhan and V Prasad did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-15, 3-86, 4-88

BOWLING: Wickramasinghe 5-0-13-2; Vaas 5-0-16-2; Dharmasena 5-0-22-0; Kalpage 5-1-23-0; Jayasuriya 3-0-15-0; De Silva 0.4-0-5-0

Man of the match: M Azharuddin (India)

Umpires: Brian Aldridge (NZ) and K T Francis

Match referee: C Smith

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Rhythms of rivalry impose discord on splendid spectacle



Redknapp tries to fend off Giggs's challenge



Michael Henderson sees an entertaining encounter at Old Trafford spoilt by a significant minority of spectators and believes the sport must act to eradicate this damaging trend

One day it may be possible for Manchester United and Liverpool to play a football match in a spirit of amity. That'll be the day all right, when "Great Birnam wood to high Dunsinane hill shall come". Until that golden dawn, when maidens emerge from the Ship Canal bearing lilacs and hyacinths, the most famous fixture in English football, won 2-0 by United on this occasion, will be riven by discord and mutual detestation.

Old Trafford did not vibrate to pleasing rhythms on Saturday and the behaviour of both sets of supporters left a lot to be desired. Before the match, James, in the Liverpool goal, was given a moronic "greeting" by several hundred *dummköpfe* at the Stretford end. In the 45 minutes that followed there were 15 instances (ten Manchester, five Liverpool) of raucous singing that was either insulting, offensive or obscene.

In other words a significant minority of spectators — as many as 5,000 in the more vocal moments — exchanged disgusting verbal sallies every three minutes when they should have been concentrating on a hugely entertaining match. That does not include the routine abuse of particular players, notably Barnes, who was booed every time he touched the ball.

These things happen elsewhere, of course. The Leeds crowd apparently gave Manchester United a going over last week. But it does not excuse such appalling behaviour. If the abuse had been overtly racist we would not have heard the last of it. Otherwise, it appears it is impossible to convict people in our football grounds for insulting behaviour likely to cause a breach of the peace.

On the field the players competed in a robust but usually fair way. Afterwards both managers appeared together on the press suite's quasi-presidential dais, and behaved in a civilised manner. Everyone agreed that, although Liverpool had the better of the game, United won it.

It was an important victory after their tiring week but they will enjoy many better days. May, at right back, simply will not do and even in his preferred position of centre half he is no more than adequate. Bruce, game trouper that he is, has one season left. Giggs, for all his wonderful gifts, is still looking for a right foot and is a reluctant header.

The overwhelming problem is in midfield. Ince, though not the player his admirers imagine him to be, is in the prime of his footballing life. Keane, when he returns, will bring plenty of endeavour and 15 goals a season. What the side lacks is a string-puller.

Cantona is the best passer in the team by a country mile. However, he is not the first daisy in the chain. United will carry on winning matches against their English peers. To beat the leading European sides, they must acquire more guile.

Schmeichel kept them in the game here, saving in outstanding fashion from Ruddock and McManaman in the first 20 minutes. Liverpool were quicker to the ball, used it more productively but were curiously reluctant to act decisively in front of goal.

McClair's entry on the hour, in place of Hughes, who was clearly not fit, enabled United to get a firmer grip of the match. Ince, Giggs and Cantona all had opportunities to score before Kanchelskis, punishing Scales for a weak and ill-directed header, stabbed the ball beyond James in the 71st minute. The conclusive goal, two minutes later, was far finer in purpose and execution. It belonged entirely to McClair who picked the ball up 50 yards out, traded passes with Kanchelskis and Cantona, and rolled it past James. What an excellent, unselfish player he is. United will need him more than ever this season.

Even on moderate days, Cantona's clarity of thought stands out, at least when he has a ball to command. When he doesn't, he gets side-tracked into silly conflicts and received another booking, the fifth of the match, when he caught Ruddock with a retributive lunge in the final minute. That's what reading Rimbaud does for you.

Still, he remains the big Red hero. A corpulent chap in the main stand wore a No 7 shirt which proclaimed, simply and blasphemously: "God". That is the problem, of course. These people take football far too seriously and life not nearly as seriously as it often should be.

What you may ask, can United do about it? Well, they can make a start by not using that ghastly pop song, *We Are The Champions*, to top and tail every game. It merely feeds the vainglorousness of their more stupid fans. They could replace it with the overture to *Don Giovanni*, as a reminder of what befalls those who consider themselves untouchable. There is always a reckoning.

JULIAN HERBERT

Le Tissier takes full advantage of licence to thrill

Southampton 1
Nottingham Forest 1

By Rob Hughes
Football Correspondent

LIKE blood into a corpse, the personality players are ebbing back into the game. Football may be a British institution, an expression of all forms of life, but throughout the past two decades the crude winner-takes-all philosophy had been allowed to brutalise out of play those individuals who sought to be mavericks: they were kicked, elbowed and suffocated towards extinction, and even the coaching gurus of Lancaster Gate had propounded policies that encouraged the ball to be hoofed rather than caressed.

At The Dell on Saturday, in a match that prevented Nottingham Forest from regaining the leadership of the FA Carling Premiership, there was a return to the licence to entertain. There were two principal beneficiaries, one being Bryan Roy, one of those imported players from 27 nationalities who are suddenly being infused into the stereotyped British pattern. But Roy was surpassed by an Englishman who, like Hoddle, Hudson and a few others has been mistrusted on high — Matthew Le Tissier.

He came laconically onto the field, a man among his people, handed the player-of-the-season award for scoring 25 of 39 Southampton goals last season and saving the club's status. And long before he was to leave, Le Tissier was to become the source of everyone's attention. He was either lazy, languid, and too often on the periphery of a drawn game, or the perpetrator of such skill, such an ability almost to invent the game, that he cast a spell on those who pay £15 and more to watch him.

It seems inconceivable that this time last year, Ian Branfoot, the long-ball manager, had cast Le Tissier into Southampton's reserves. How could he doubt such a talent? In four of the last five seasons, even when Shearer was there, Le Tissier has been Southampton's top goalscorer.

But his art is not in putting a ball between the goal posts. He is one of those players who can imprint on the mind an expression of beauty. His complete mastery of the ball, the sheer joy that he seems to conjure up in giving life to that inanimate object, has a rapport with the Southampton crowd which has surprised his manager, Alan Ball. "I've been here seven months now, and I've never left the ground once



Le Tissier: entertainer

without someone wanting to talk about Le Tissier," Ball said.

Ball, once the archetypal firebrand of England's winning philosophy, then enthused: "This tribalism thing around the country was ruining the game. Fans wanted to win at all costs, and it's ridiculous because at a club like this we cannot all be top of the league. What we can do, what I've learned the people here demand of us, is that we try to play football on the floor, and give licence to people like Le Tiss to express their skill."

Remarkable. Ball was a fixture in England sides because what he lacked in ball skills he made up for in effort. The last England manager, Graham Taylor, had never considered Le Tissier worthy of a call-up among 59 players he used, and Terry Venables has made him only a substitute. Perhaps there is a gulf of understanding between a street-wise Londoner who coaches the national team and a player from Guernsey whose game, whose life, seems to roll with the rhythm of a seafarer.

His skills were the centre-point of the game. Stan Collymore, with an explosive demonstration of his own intuitive, muscular strength, had already given Forest the lead. But what, now, was Le Tissier doing, toying with time, indulging himself? We soon discovered. Having bemused Phillips, he quickly slipped the ball through the legs of Bohinen. Bohinen fouled him. And while Bohinen was being cautioned, Le Tissier was plotting. He simply surveyed the scene, and with the right foot lazily swept the ball like a golfer's wedge shot into the penalty area. Haaland pushed Dowie, a penalty was awarded, and Le Tissier versus Crossley was absolutely no contest.

If we cannot accommodate this man's skill in the England side, the question must be whether we can appreciate skill at all. We can import it — Roy is as gifted a foreigner as we can pay for — but even here there is the lesson that things are changing for the better. For Roy, in the World Cup, was cast onto the wings of Holland, a lonely, isolated and ineffective performer. At Forest his enlightened manager, Frank Clark, has given Roy the benefit of co-operative management. Roy asked to play down the middle, to use his speed and his balance to be able to break in either direction. The Dutch have yet to learn how good a player he can be. Maverick talent is a devil of a thing to understand, but what a joy.



Pejic, second left, and fellow members of the bench watch anxiously as Chester search in vain for their first league victory of the season

Thunderbolt and Lightfoot share spoils

By Keith Pike

PELE'S dummy, Pleat's jig, Banks's save, Maradona's hand: in each case, two words instantly summon images to mind. Not just hazy recollections but definitive moments that can be dated, dissected and devoured each time they are replayed. Now, another couple of gems can be added to the priceless collection: Lightfoot's toe-poke and Leadbitter's thunderbolt.

Have there been two greater goals than these? Well, yes. Millions. But maybe none so important to the supporters of Bournemouth and Chester City, who in years to come can sit their grandchildren on their knee and say: "I was there the day *that* goal went in," whether it be Chris Lightfoot's 43rd-minute opener for Chester City on Saturday, jabbed home from within the six-inch box, or Chris Leadbitter's 70th-minute equaliser, thrashed gloriously from 35 yards going on eternity.

Quite why Bournemouth, a resort where excitement pours over you by the thimbleful, should now produce such a cascade of emotion, is simple. You only had to look at the bottom of the Endsleigh Insurance League second division table on Saturday morning.

There they were, the afternoon's opponents at Dean Court, locked together with perfect playing records: 0-0-7 and 0-0-7. The last two clubs in senior English football without a point. Not so much Roger Moore versus Sean Connery as the moveable force versus the resistible object. Sure, somebody has to be bottom of every table, but with not so much as a draw? Even Everton had a point. It was all so demeaning. No team can be *that* bad.

Actually, some have been worse. The record of 12 successive League defeats at the start of a season has survived for 64 years, having been set by a club that went on to rather better things: Manchester United. Perhaps with that in mind, it was no surprise that Mel Machin and Mike Pejic, recently installed managers for Bournemouth and Chester respectively, were happy to accept a first league point, even if a first win remains the stuff of dreams.

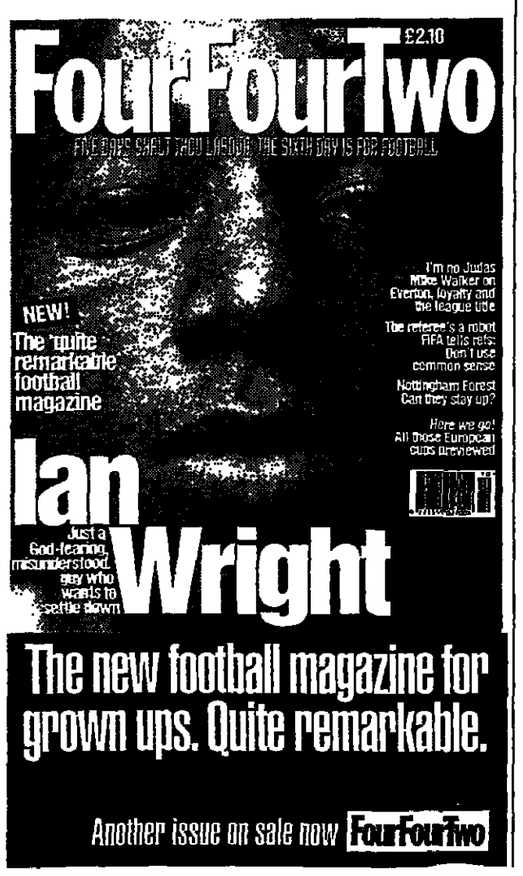


Lightfoot: opening goal

Both teams have been suffering the fall-out from ownership battles, particularly Chester, where Pejic took over a newly-promoted team in July and "found myself with two players and no backroom staff". No money to spend, either. His side here was a less than lethal concoction of free transfers, old hands and kids. Machin's problems, if not so acute, have been exacerbated cruelly by injuries. So, in the corridor outside the dressing-rooms, they shook hands and congratulated each other with genuine warmth, soul-mates thrown together by circumstance.

And the football? Appalling, frankly, despite the best efforts of Thunderbolt and Lightfoot. Error pursued error remorselessly, particularly in the first half, and if attacking and defending of increasing desperation made the second half more tolerable, the fact remains that any self-respecting non-league side would have won by five. Still, what it isn't any longer is a pointless exercise.

BOURNEMOUTH (5-3-2): I Andrews — M O'Connor (sub: G Williams, 78min), A Watson, M McElhatton, S Fletcher, L Russell — R Beardsmore, S Mean, C Leadbitter — S Cotterill (sub: J Reeve, 16). K Russell.
CHESTER CITY (4-4-1): R Newland — I Jenkins, S Whelan, J Aldred, J Burnham — D Page, C Lightfoot, G Shelton, G Priest, G Hackett — S Anthrobus (sub: L Chambers, 78).
Referee: D Orr.



Amokachi quick to settle on Goodison Park debut

Everton 2
Queens Park Rangers ... 2

By Ivo Tennant

AS A young boy growing up in Nigeria, Daniel Amokachi followed English football with an intensity and depth of knowledge that has startled the Everton players and supporters with whom he has conversed in good English. For he can tell them all about Dalglish, Rush and Souness. He has not whispered it quietly that he once enthused about Liverpool.

Amokachi finds it strange that he should now be in the city he adored from afar, yet playing for a different club. As if to erase his fondness for great Liverpool forwards, he was photographed on his arrival at Goodison Park in front of a portrait of Dixie Dean, with whom he must now stand comparison.

On his home debut against Queen's Park Rangers on Saturday Amokachi was also compared with Les Ferdinand, like him an international forward of great strength and high promise. Ferdinand scored two goals to his one. But their contributions went beyond that.

Amokachi, like Ferdinand, is markedly nimble for a bulky man. He learnt the game in the streets, as boys in Liverpool once did. Hunched when he runs, he has a right foot which is stronger than his left and an unselfishness he might have learnt from watching Dalglish through such televised football as reached Nigeria.

"Ask any African youngster when he started playing football and he won't be able to tell you," Amokachi said. "We start kicking a ball around the streets as soon as we can." It must seem a long time ago. As Mike Walker, his manager, emphasised, Amokachi has crammed a great deal of experience into his 21 years.



Amokachi: nimble

He is not the first player to have joined Everton who has grown up supporting Liverpool. Two of their own defence, Burrows — another new signing — and Ablett were appearing for Liverpool not so long ago. All that really matters is moving off the bottom of the table, which is taking some doing.

Ferdinand it was who ensured Everton would remain there. Both his goals owed much to slack defending, but there was no mistaking the excellence of his finishing, nor his pass to Wilson which should have resulted in victory for Rangers. Here is one decent player Gerry Francis, their manager, has been able to retain.

Ferdinand's first goal was a looping header, his second, Rangers' equaliser, slipped easily past Southall. On both occasions he was unattended.

Having blasted wide with his left foot six minutes into the match, Amokachi struck with a right-footed volley — more a clip — three minutes later. Everton then went ahead through Rideout, whose close range effort was adjudged to have crossed the line.

Kidderminster poised to launch fresh challenge

Kidderminster Harriers... 3
Halifax Town 0

By Walter Gammie

THE fluctuations of the early weeks of the last GM Vauxhall Conference season left wishful thinkers to suggest it would be the most open for years. Then up rose Kidderminster from a launch pad of seven points from eight matches, to embark on a run of form that saw them disappear over the horizon.

The exertions of an FA Cup run, halted by West Ham United in the fifth round, and a late season treadmill of fixtures delayed the clinching of the championship until the final Saturday. Promotion to the Football League was then controversially denied them because of an inadequate stand at Aggborough.

That stand, its innards still in use, now sits incongruously behind a new, unblemished edifice that has holes punched at the back awaiting eight hospitality boxes. Otherwise things have started much the same for Kidderminster while a pack of clubs jostles at the head of the now plain Vauxhall Conference.

A haul of ten points from eight matches this time around marks a modest improvement and the Harriers' mastery over potentially troublesome opponents in Halifax suggests it is time for lift-off again.

The disagreeable new element has been injuries. Graham Allner, the manager, has skilfully improved the balance of his side by dropping Paul Webb and Mark Yates into the left-sided positions of long-term casualties, Paul Bancroft and Neil Cartwright. Lee Hughes, a tall, ginger-headed 18-year-old of unquenchable zest, gave a good-size crowd of 2,062 much to cheer in his efforts in place of Jon Purdie, another injury victim.

Delwyn Humphreys has also been in the wars. He was spared further punishment on Saturday and did not appear in the second half. He had already done his bit. First, he flicked the ball down for Richard Forsyth to crash home a volley off a defender's chest. Next he went down under an octopus-like challenge by Heyes, the Halifax goalkeeper. Forsyth converted the penalty.

Humphreys was then pivot in a flowing four-man move which he finished with a crashing drive.

The sending off of Paul Grainger, the midfield player, in the 62nd minute for a second bookable tackle on Colin Lambert, his opposite number, was harsh. He had in truth won their duel fair and square.

KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS (4-3-3): K Ross — S Hodson, M Weir, C Brindley, P Webb — M Yates, P Grainger, R Forsyth — D Humphreys (sub: L Palmer, 46min), P Davies, L Hughes.
HALIFAX TOWN (4-3-3): D Heyes — D Gerrish, A Jones, L Fowler, S Prindiville — J Peterson, C Lambert, K Langley — D Lancaster (sub: D Hanson, 86), A Flounders, A Kimonya (sub: G Worthington, 61)
Referee: T Stevens.

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Sure touch of Sutton too much for Chelsea



David Miller, at Stamford Bridge, sees Blackburn's most expensive acquisition secure a 2-1 victory

After defeat at home in midweek by nonentities from Trelleborgs, Blackburn could only improve. Yet this victory from a pulsating match with a profusion of chances at both ends — thanks only to Johnsen's own goal in the first half and another gift that was presented to Sutton in the second — still leaves a £30 million question.

Blackburn may have moved into second place in the FA Carling Premiership behind Newcastle, but does Kenny Dalglish, youthful managerial sage and prolific spender, know precisely where he is going?

Blackburn are still a team short on tactical and technical sophistication, never mind that investment, as the Swedish outsiders proved so embarrassingly. Blackburn showed no sign against Chelsea of being likely soon to acquire either, never mind that Shearer and Sutton will keep winning them matches in the English environment.

Jack Walker, the Blackburn benefactor, who has funded Dalglish's purchase of ten players costing between £750,000 and £5 million, will eventually become disappointed if his clockwork toy fails to function.

It is one thing to buy some of the best players in the land, another to create a unit: as Ron Atkinson found at Old Trafford.

Admittedly Blackburn are missing the likes of Newell and Batty through injury and yesterday had Wilcox suspended. But the team needs to find a midfield supervisor, and the kind of identity that Liverpool teams had in Dalglish's heyday as a player.

By English standards, Blackburn are a powerful side, as Chelsea discovered. With that perverse character that has lived with the club down the years, Chelsea managed to play the most coherent football in all-too-brief spells, and simultaneously to assist Blackburn's superiority.

On scoring chances, Blackburn might have won 7-3, confirming that football is returning to its senses and entertaining its followers.

The most memorable of all the chances that went astray came in the 65th minute, after a foul by Kjeldbjerg on Sutton. Le Saux, who was heckled throughout on reappearing at his former home ground, hit a fierce free kick which Kharine somehow turned over the bar for a save that is unlikely to be bettered all season.

Chelsea had called the tune for the first 20 minutes of the first half and the first ten of the second, but each time succumbed to Blackburn's athleticism. Slater, on the left side of midfield, caused ceaseless worry for the able but too languid Rocastle and Clarke at full back. It was down this flank that Blackburn took the lead, wholly against the run of play, after 27 minutes.

Atkins, the replacement for Wilcox, was allowed time to turn laboriously on the edge of the centre circle. His pass evaded Clarke a shade luckily, allowing Le Saux to go to the line on an overlap. His cross to the far post was met by Johnsen, under pressure from Shearer, and it was the defender who knocked the ball past his goalkeeper.

Dalglish's credentials as player and manager are, on the face of it, immense. He twice won the FA Cup and three times the league title with Liverpool, and last season his new club almost caught Manchester United in the league, but some of his spending is baffling, not to say contradictory.

Although Sutton now has five goals, there are many who doubt whether, even in the company of Shearer, he will prove worth the money that Blackburn paid to Norwich. Yesterday he showed few touches that might be considered worth £5 million.

It will be interesting to see how Dalglish relates the partnership of his two expensive central strikers to the wing play that is basic to Blackburn's style.

By physical intimidation alone, the power of his runs and his clever turning on the ball with his back to the defence, Shearer was always a menace, reminiscent of Bobby Smith for Tottenham and England 30 years ago. And he is faster. Whether he is the best man for England is another matter, but he was now constantly more than Kjeldbjerg and Johnsen could handle.

Within moments of the own goal, Sutton headed over the bar, and Shearer, seemingly offside, delayed when having the goal at his mercy and was finally smothered.

At the other end, a soaring drive by Wise from 30 yards sailed past the angle of the posts, and Rocastle, cutting inside from the right flank and accelerating, let rip a left-foot drive that flew low past the post.

Although Blackburn were pressing at half-time, Chelsea might have been level and they regained the initiative afterwards. Furlong, showing none of the enterprise he had a week ago at Newcastle, squandered the shot presented by Peacock, a cross from Wise was headed against the top of his own crossbar by Hendry, and the crowd's passion rose.

It was soon rewarded when Spencer, seizing on a back header by Berg, darted between Blackburn central defenders to whip the ball past Flowers. All to play for, the home crowd supposed, wrongly.

Chelsea now could find no collective resistance to Blackburn's searing runs at them from all positions. The defence went to sleep as Slater came through on the left and Sutton was able to tap home the low centre almost unopposed.

Blackburn should have had at least a couple more, though with eight minutes to go a header from Newton — a substitute for Rocastle — found his full back, Sinclair, unmarked 14 yards out, but the shot that followed was better forgotten.

The tally of 13 corners to six in favour of Blackburn told the story of the match, but although Blackburn returned home happier than they had been during the previous 72 hours, the truth is they should have made more of Chelsea's incompetence in the final quarter of the match.

Memories linger of that strange FA Cup defeat by Charlton last season and the impression remains that even when Blackburn are in charge of a match, they are not wholly in control of themselves tactically. Not the way Celtic, Liverpool and Leeds used to be in years gone by. No doubt Dalglish is working at it.

☐ Steve Sedgeley will make his first appearance for Ipswich in the Premiership match against their East Anglian rivals, Norwich City, at Portman Road today. Ipswich also include their £170,000 Argentinian newcomer, Mauricio Taricco, in their squad.

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Johnsen, right, the Chelsea defender, comes under pressure from Shearer yesterday. Photograph: Marc Aspland



Spencer: on target

PREMIERSHIP AT A GLANCE

	Played	Points	Goal diff	Recent form
1st Newcastle	6	18	+15	WWWWW
2nd	6	14	+11	WWDWW
3rd Notts Forest	6	14		
4th	6	13		
5th Liverpool	5	10		
6th	6	10		
7th Chelsea	5	9	+3	WWWLL
8th	6	9	+2	DDWWL
9th	6	9		WLWLL
10th Manchester City	6	8		WWLDD
11th Ipswich	5	6		LDWDD
12th			-2	WLDDD
13th			-3	DLLWD
14th			-5	DLLWD
15th Arsenal			-2	LLDDL
16th Sheffield Wed			-4	LWDLD
17th	6	5	-5	LLLDW
18th	6	5	-8	LLLDW
19th		4	-4	LDWLL
20th		4	-5	LLDLW
21st Crystal Palace	6	4	-6	DDLDD
22nd Everton			-9	LLLLD

Weekly change ▲ Up — Stayed the same — ▼ Down

Boli provides Rangers with healthy return on investment

Rangers are supposed to have been storm-tossed and rudderless these past few weeks, but when finally cast ashore on Saturday they found themselves in their own home port. How else would you describe first place in the premier division for a side that has taken the league title in six consecutive seasons?

A strenuous 2-0 victory over Falkirk at Brockville on Saturday put Rangers back on top. The club can now say that the crisis which everyone else discerned was simply a mass hallucination. Certainly the team proved durable in the face of frantic attacking by Falkirk, who had put Rangers out of the Coca-Cola Cup earlier this month.

Basile Boli, bought from Marseille to make attackers shudder, had, until the weekend, done little more than set tongues wagging. Acerbic quotes about Rangers' tactics appeared in the press after they were beaten by AEK Athens in the European Cup. It now appears that the remarks may have been wildly distorted in translation.

On Saturday, to the relief of his employers, Boli's performance spoke for itself. He bustled through for the opening goal in seven minutes and thereafter spent the rest of his afternoon diligently. Perhaps he can now settle to playing steadily for a club that spent £2.7 million on him.

Rangers would be glad if everyone could slip back into the old routine. The league table is heartening for them, but distressing to anyone who feels that the championship should be a pitched battle.

Celtic, after scrambling a draw with Kilmarnock, are only a point adrift but Hibernian, in third place, are three behind. Aberdeen are fourth, with half a dozen points to make up. Rangers may feel they are already in position to accelerate away from the field.

A sense of well-being, however, is not entirely deserved. AEK exposed dilapidation in some areas of the team as well as a general lack of technique. These failings are still to be addressed. No amount of victories over humble clubs such as Falkirk can establish that Rangers, in any larger context, really are a side to be reckoned with.

The main recent attempt to upgrade the squad was the acquisition of Brian Laudrup, the Danish winger. For all the finesse, he arrived in Scotland with much to prove in club football. Having the Dane on your hands is a bit like finding the black spot pressed into your palm.

Relegated with Bayer Leverkusen, he moved on into a slump with Bayern Munich and then accompanied Fiorentina on their fall into Serie B. AC Milan took the precaution of rarely playing him. None of these misfortunes was his personal responsibility, but, so far as domestic honours are concerned, Rangers can be certain he has not yet been sated by success.

Adversaries in Scotland like to believe that Laudrup reacts badly to a good kicking. In this they are a bit like Corporal Jones, ranting that the enemy "don't like it up 'em". So what? Few of us relish rough treatment. The late Peter Taylor, once Brian Clough's adjutant, wrote that he valued footballers who were a little cowardly. It was a sign of intelligence.

Laudrup, who needed the physio's attention early in the game on Saturday, had a muted first half, but regrouped to dominate the second. After David Weir had been sent off for a professional foul on Durie, the Dane flighted a free-kick over the wall to put Rangers 2-0 ahead. Falkirk lost another player when Steve Fulton was shown the red card for a heinous lunge, again at Durie.

There should be a more subtle challenge to Rangers in their next league game, at Pittodrie on Saturday. Aberdeen spent heavily in the summer and do, in theory, possess a potent attack. Other sides, however, have developed the dastardly ploy of scoring first. On Saturday, against Partick Thistle, Willie Miller's team once more had to use their goal as an equaliser. Nonetheless, Rangers will find them both eager and dangerous.

KEVIN McCARRA



Scottish commentary

Cottee ascending ladder of success

West Ham United 1
Aston Villa 0

By Russell Kempson

TONY Cottee realised his days at Goodison Park were numbered when he was banished to the Everton A team for a match at Morecambe. On the opposing side he spotted a player who, a week earlier, he had paid £10 to clean his windows. Life, he assessed, had descended to its lowest rung. It was time to move on.

And so it came to pass that the "Prodigal Son" — acclaimed as such in the match programme at Upton Park on Saturday — returned to his natural abode. It is a chequered tale: East End boy made good, transferred to Merseyside giant for £2.3 million in 1988, amassed 99 goals in six seasons, leading scorer five times, fell out of favour with everyone from management to tea lady, retraced steps to spiritual home.

A knees-up was in order, and Cottee did not disappoint. With four minutes remaining of West Ham United's FA Carling Premiership meeting with Aston Villa, Marsh fed Rush, who fed Breacker. A cross to the near post, and Cottee swivelled to score. End West Ham's winless league record; end Villa's unbeaten run.

"It was very satisfying personally, but it was also important for us to get our first victory," Cottee, 29, said. "I just hope we can relax a bit now. I've always been a West Ham fan and have kept in close touch with what's been going on here. I suppose a return has always been in my mind, especially lately, but I was a bit surprised it happened so quickly.

"But it's not really a case of turning the clock back. I have to look forward. Why did it all go wrong at Everton? It would probably take all night to explain it and even then I couldn't be sure you or I would understand it. I just want to enjoy my football again."

Cottee's contribution, in a West Ham side light in weight, short in height and long on hope, was vital. He buzzed incessantly, drew a smart save from Bosnich and missed another free header. Only when Chapman came on after the interval did he receive the assistance required to crack the Villa safe.

But for a peerless display from Martin, 36, in taming the aerial pyrotechnics of Fashanu, West Ham would have already been beaten. Eighteen and a bit seasons in the West Ham claret-and-blue have not blunted his positional sense or enthusiasm. Even a slap in the face from Fashanu did not deter Martin. Were he ten years younger, England would beckon again.

Villa had enough first-half scope and skill to have bypassed such an imposing obstacle. Yet chances came and went, enterprise evaporated. It was no use, either, blaming the exertions of their 1-0 Uefa Cup defeat against Internazionale 48 hours earlier. "That's too easy a cop-out," Ron Atkinson, the Villa manager, said.

Cottee, meanwhile, can afford a brief smile. his career resurrected, before he sits out the next three matches as penance for his sending-off against Liverpool. Frustrating, perhaps, but better than facing the window cleaner.

Fry finds renewed cause for optimism

Birmingham City 4
Peterborough United ... 0

By Denis Shaw

WHILE not all of Barry Fry's signings since his arrival as Birmingham City manager have been an unqualified success, there was only enthusiasm for the new trio he introduced at St Andrew's yesterday.

Gary Bull, on loan from Nottingham Forest, scored twice in the first ten minutes, while Gary Poole and Jonathon Hunt, signed from Southend, made almost equally significant contributions. As a consequence, Fry's line-up confirmed their place among the Endsleigh Insurance League second division promotion contenders.

Bull confidently slid both his goals in at full stretch, reaching Poole's swinging pass via a Hunt header in the eighteenth minute, coverting a low Claridge cross after 34 minutes. Poole also created a goal for Tait after 21 minutes.

Domingnez, brought on as a 56th-minute substitute, added the fourth in spectacular fashion in the 69th minute, saving Claridge's blushes perhaps — he had just missed a penalty.

BIRMINGHAM CITY (4-4-2): I Bennett — G Poole, C Whyte, R Dryden, B Small — D Wallace (sub: J Dominguez, 58min), M Ward (sub: P Harding, 82), P Tait, J Hunt — G Bull, S Claridge.

PETERBOROUGH UNITED (4-4-2): M Tyler; K Ashley, G Heald, S Welsh, S Clarke — L Henry, G Breen, B McGorry, D Morrison (sub: L Williams, 69) — K Charlery, S Farrell (sub: J Brissett, 69).

Referee: R Poulain.

Lucky man has unlucky start

Notts County 0
Stoke City 2

By Peter Robinson

RUSSELL Slade is a lucky man, the newest member of one of the country's most exclusive clubs. He has joined a fellowship of 92 good men and true whose wisdom is headline news, whose faces adorn newspapers, national and local, and whose voices rattle from radios from Carlisle to Camborne. At the tender age of 33, when membership is a dream for all but the chosen few, Slade has joined the company of England's elite football managers.

The Magnificent 92 are a special breed, feted and fated, treated like idols when the force is with them but destined for a rancorous resignation or the sack. Thousands would join if they could, but there can only ever be 92 — give or take the occasional joint-manager — lined up from the top of the FA Carling Premiership to the foot of the Endsleigh Insurance League third division, the domain of the old, much-missed Football League.

Indeed, Slade is a very lucky man, because he is the new manager of Notts County, in the first division, with a handsome new stadium and a chairman brimming with ambition. True, the club is bottom of the division and the chairman did dismiss his predecessor last week, but, hey, there are plenty of people in football who would love to cope with problems like that.

Slade is a former teacher and regular in Notts County's reserves who gradually went into coaching and eventually became Mick Walker's assistant at the club, until Walker's departure on Wednesday. Derek Pavis, the club's chairman, gave Slade his chance and told him to take it.

Had everything gone according to plan on Saturday, Slade would have made a significant step in the right direction. Stoke were the visitors to County's pristine Meadow Lane stadium and they are "between" managers, with Asa Hartford in a "caretaking" role. Instead, County lost.

Even worse, defeat was inflicted largely by the Stoke forward, Peschisolido, who turned down a move to the club from Birmingham City in the summer. A brave opener after half an hour and a precise second, finishing a clever breakaway, in the second half were reward for a busy afternoon's scampering.

Not that Stoke's supporters reserved their praise for Peschisolido: two smartly-taken goals to his name, the undoubted match-winner, and there they were, yelling "Asa, Asa, give us a wave" and greeting a regal waft with a round of applause — and this only for a "caretaker", a stand-in, apparently, for Lou Macari, many times a member of the Magnificent 92 — indeed, with Stoke, less than a year ago, before an aborted spell at Celtic. All of which — the chant, the wave and managerial speculation — is proof, perhaps, that football really is a manager's game.

NOTTS COUNTY (5-3-2): S Cherry — T Gallagher, D Yates, P Turner, M Johnson, M Emmelio — M Simpson, P Devlin, A Legg — N Jemson (sub: G Lund, 45min), G McSwegan.

STOKE CITY (4-4-2): C Muggleton — R Wallace, I Cranson, J Dreyer, L Sandford — J Butler, T Obyrgison, K Downing, N Gleghorn — M Carruthers, P Peschisolido

Referee: E Wolstenholme.

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FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP

COVENTRY (0) 2 **LEEDS** (0) 1
Dublin 50, Cook 83 (pen) — Speed 85
15,389
Coventry (4-4-2): S Ogrizovic - N Pickering, D Busst, D Rennie, S Morgan - C Jones, W Boland, J Darby, P Cook - D Dublin, S Flynn.
Leeds United (4-4-2): J Lukic - G Kelly, C Palmer, D Wetherall (Sub C Fairclough 45min), N Worthington - G Strachan, G McAllister, G Speed, R Wallace - N Whelan (Sub J Pemberton 84min), P Masinga.
Booked: Palmer
Ref: B Hill

C PALACE (0) 0 **WIMBLEDON** (0) 0
12,100
Crystal Palace (4-4-2): N Martyn - D Pitcher, R Shaw, C Coleman, D Gordon - D Matthew (sub G Ndah 69min), G Southgate, R Newman, J Salako - C Armstrong, B Dyer.
Wimbledon (4-3-3): H Segers - W Barton, S Fitzgerald, A Reeves, A Kimble - V Jones, G Elkins, N Ardley - M Gayle, D Holdsworth, M Harford.
Booked: Jones, Reeves, Ardley.
Ref: K Cooper.

EVERTON (2) 2 **QPR** (1) 2
Amokachi 10, Rideout 24 — Ferdinand 4, 48
27,285
Everton (4-4-2): N Southall - M Jackson, G Unsworth, D Watson, D Burrows - G Stuart, J Ebbrell, V Samways, A Limpar (sub I Snodin 71min) - P Rideout, D Amokachi.
QPR (4-4-2): T Roberts - D Bardsley, S Yates, A McDonald, R Brevett - I Holloway, A Impey, S Barker, C Wilson - L Ferdinand (sub K Ready 85min), G Penrice.
Ref: R Gifford.

LEICESTER (1) 3 **TOTTENHAM** (0) 1
Joachim 45, 90, Lowe 86 — Klinsmann 88
21,300
Leicester (4-4-2): K Poole - S Grayson, J Willis, N Mohan, N Lewis - F Carr (sub: D Lowe 82min), M Draper, M Blake, L Philpott (sub: S Agnew 74min) - I Roberts, J Joachim.
Booked: Draper
Tottenham (4-1-3-2): I Walker - D Kerslake, S Nethercott, S Campbell, J Edinburgh - C Calderwood (sub M Hazard 59min) - D Anderton, N Barmby, I Dumitrescu - J Klinsmann, E Sheringham.
Booked: Kerslake, Hazard
Ref: G Ashby.

MAN UTD (0) 2 **LIVERPOOL** (0) 0
Kanchelskis 71, McClair 73
43,740
Manchester United (4-4-2): P Schmeichel; D May, S Bruce, G Pallister, D Irwin; A Kanchelskis, P Ince, L Sharpe, R Giggs; M Hughes (sub: B McClair), E Cantona.
Booked: May, Bruce, Cantona.
Liverpool (4-3-3): D James, R Jones, J Scales, N Ruddock, S Bjornebye; J Redknapp, J Molby (sub: P Babb), J Barnes; I Rush, R Fowler, S McManaman.
Booked: Jones, Ruddock
Ref: K Morton.

SHEFF WED (0) 1 **MAN CITY** (1) 1
Watson 76 — Walsh 44
26,776
Sheffield Wednesday (4-4-2): K Pressman - D Petrescu, A Pearce, P Atherton, I Nolan - C Bart-Williams, J Sheridan, G Hyde, A Sinton (Sub K Ingesson, 45min) -M Bright (Sub G Watson 69min), G Hirst.
Booked: Hyde, Hirst.
Manchester City (4-4-2): A Coton - R Edghill, A Hill, M Vonk, I Brightwell - N Summerbee, S McMahon, S Lomas, P Beagrie - P Walsh, U Roesler (Sub N Quinn 86min).
Booked: Roesler, Beagrie
Ref: D J Gallagher.

SOUTHAMPTON (0) 1 **NOTTM FOR** (1) 1
Le Tissier 54 (pen) — Collymore 43
14,185
Southampton (4-4-2): B Grobbelaar - J Kenna, R Hall, F Benali, S Charlton - P Allen, J Magilton, N Maddison (Sub R Ekelund 79min), N Heaney - M Le Tissier, I Dowie.
Booked: Le Tissier, Allen, Maddison.
Nottm Forest (4-4-2): M Crossley - D Lyttle, C Cooper, A-I Haaland, S Pearce - S Stone, D Phillips, L Bohinen, K Black - B Roy, S Collymore.
Booked: Bohinen.
Ref: M Reed.

WEST HAM (0) 1 **A VILLA** (0) 0
Cottee 86
18,326
West Ham (4-4-2): L Miklosko - T Breacker, A Martin, S Potts, K Rowland - J Moncur, P Butler (Sub: L Chapman, 45min), M Allen, M Rush - M Marsh, A Cottee.
Booked: Breacker, Moncur
Aston Villa (4-4-2): M Bosnich - E Barrett, U Ehiogu, S Teale, S Staunton - D Yorke (Sub: D Atkinson, 54min), K Richardson, A Townsend, R Houghton - J Fashanu, D Saunders.
Booked: Teale, Fashanu.
Ref: S Lodge (Barnsley).

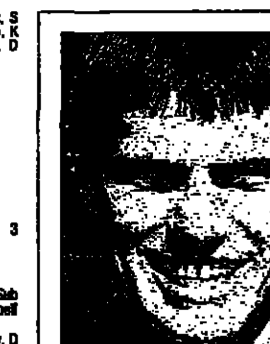
Yesterday

ARSENAL (1) 2 **NEWCASTLE** (2) 3
Adams 9, Wright 88 — Keown 7 (og), Beardsley 45 (pen), Fox 74
36,819
Arsenal: D Seaman, L Dixon, N Winterburn, J Jensen (Sub Selley 70), M Keown, A Adams, R Parlour (Sub Campbell 70), I Wright, A Smith, P Merson, S Schwarz.
Newcastle: P Srnicek, M Hottiger, J Beresford, S Howey, D Peacock, P Albert, R Lee, P Beardsley, A Cole, R Fox, S Sellars.
Booked: Sellars.
Ref: T Holbrook.

CHELSEA (0) 1 **BLACKBURN** (1) 2
Spencer 55 — Johnsen 27 (og), Sutton 66
17,513
Chelsea: Kharine, Clarke, E Johnsen, Kjeldbjerg, Sinclair, N Spackman, D Rocastle (Sub Newton 79), Spencer, Furlong, G Peacock, D Wise.
Booked: Wise.
Blackburn: T Flowers, H Berg, T Gale, T Sherwood, S Ripley, C Hendry, G Le Saux, A Shearer, C Sutton, R Slater (Sub Warhurst 82), M Atkins.
Booked: Sherwood, Ripley, Le Saux.
Ref: P A Durkin.

ATTENDANCES

Highest: 43,740 (Manchester United v Liverpool).
Lowest: 12,100 (Crystal Palace v Wimbledon).



Lee: hat-trick haul in Europe

GOALSCORERS

Lee (Newcastle)	(5)	8
Klinsmann (Tottenham)	(7)	7
Cole (Newcastle)	(6)	6
Sutton (Blackburn)	(5)	5
Fowler (Liverpool)	(5)	5
Walsh (Man City)	(5)	5
Ferdinand (QPR)	(4)	4
Le Tissier (Soton)	(4)	4
Rideout (Everton)	(4)	4
Shearer (Blackburn)	(4)	4
Watson (Newcastle)	(4)	4

(x) denotes Premiership goals

STATISTICS — SENDINGS OFF

THE spotlight is firmly on referees and their interpretation of the tougher disciplinary laws. That pressure is beginning to tell. With the Premiership season just six weeks old, encompassing 64 games, there have been 14 sendings off, compared with 29 for the whole of last season. The figures get worse when you compare them with the equivalent teams' records (see below). If you add the 1993-94 record of Crystal Palace, Leicester City and Nottingham Forest and take out the sendings off for Sheffield United (four), Oldham Athletic (four) and Swindon Town (two), the total is 27, so we are more than halfway to that figure.

	Sendings off 1994-95	Offenders	1993-94	+/-
Arsenal	0	-	1	-1
Aston Villa	0	-	1	-1
Blackburn	1	Wilcox	0	+1
Chelsea	1	Wise*	2	-1
Coventry	1	Quinn	0	+1
Crystal Palace	0	-	(1)	-1
Everton	0	-	0	-
Ipswich	0	-	0	-
Leeds	0	-	0	-
Leicester	2	Carey, Mohan	(5)	-3
Liverpool	0	-	1	-
Manchester City	1	Rösler	0	+1
Manchester Utd	1	Parker	2	-1
Newcastle	1	Smicek*	1	-
Norwich	0	-	3	-3
Nottm Forest	1	Chettle	(2)	-1
QPR	2	Sinclair, Wilson	3	-1
Sheffield Wed	0	-	2	-2
Southampton	0	-	1	-1
Tottenham	1	Campbell	1	-
West Ham	1	Cottee	1	-
Wimbledon	1	Jones	0	+1
Total	14		27	

* denotes a repeat offender

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Newcastle	6	3	0	0	13	3	3	0	0	9	4	18	+15
2 Blackburn	6	3	0	0	10	0	1	2	0	3	2	14	+11
3 Nottm For	6	2	1	0	6	2	2	1	0	4	2	14	+6
4 Man Utd	6	3	0	0	7	0	1	1	1	3	3	13	+7
5 Liverpool	5	1	1	0	3	0	2	0	1	8	3	10	+8
6 Leeds	6	2	0	1	5	4	1	1	1	3	3	10	+1
7 Chelsea	5	2	0	1	6	2	1	0	1	5	6	9	+3
8 Aston Villa	6	1	2	0	4	2	1	1	1	3	3	9	+2
9 Tottenham	6	1	0	2	3	4	2	0	1	8	7	9	0
10 Man City	6	2	1	0	8	1	0	1	2	1	7	8	+1
11 Norwich	5	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	6	-1
12 QPR	6	1	1	1	6	6	0	2	1	3	5	6	-2
13 Wimbledon	6	1	1	1	3	3	0	2	1	1	4	6	-3
14 Southmptn	6	0	2	1	2	4	1	1	1	4	7	6	-5
15 Arsenal	6	1	1	1	5	3	0	1	2	0	4	5	-2
16 Sheff Wed	6	0	2	1	4	5	1	0	2	4	7	5	-4
17 West Ham	6	1	1	1	2	3	0	1	2	0	4	5	-5
18 Coventry	6	1	1	1	3	3	0	1	2	2	10	5	-8
19 Ipswich	5	0	0	2	1	4	1	1	1	3	4	4	-4
20 Leicester	6	1	1	1	5	5	0	0	3	1	6	4	-5
21 C Palace	6	0	1	2	2	6	0	3	0	2	2	4	-6
22 Everton	6	0	2	1	5	6	0	0	3	1	9	2	-9

Tottenham will be deducted 6 points at the end of the season

Endsleigh Insurance League

FIRST DIVISION

BOLTON (1) 1 **PORTSMOUTH** (0) 1
McGinlay 21 — Creaney 69
11,294

BURNLEY (0) 0 **WOLVES** (0) 1
Bull 59
17,766

CHARLTON (1) 1 **SWINDON** (0) 0
Whyte 13
9,794

DERBY (1) 2 **OLDHAM** (0) 1
Carsley 10, Short 82 — McCarthy 80 (pen)
13,746

NOTTS CO (0) 0 **STOKE** (1) 2
8,281 — Peschisolido 31, 70

PORT VALE (0) 2 **MIDDLESBROUGH** (1) 1
Naylor 47, Glover 59 — Pollock 38
10,313

READING (0) 1 **SHEFFIELD UTD** (0) 0
Quinn 61
9,036

SOUTHEND (1) 2 **BRISTOL C** (0) 1
Thomson 8, Whelan 60 — Baird 81
3,663

SUNDERLAND (0) 2 **BARNSLEY** (0) 0
Gray 76, Goodman 85
16,145

TRANMERE (1) 3 **MILLWALL** (1) 1
Malkin 13, 63, Aldridge 72 — Roberts 25
6,243

WATFORD (2) 2 **LUTON** (3) 4
Moralee 21, Mooney 44 — Oakes 30, Dixon 32, Telfer 42, 54
8,880

WEST BROM (1) 1 **GRIMSBY** (0) 1
Ashcroft 26 — Shakespeare 66
14,496

SECOND DIVISION

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 1 **CHESTER** (1) 1
Leadbitter 70 — Lightfoot 43
3,025

BRADFORD (0) 0 **YORK** (0) 0
8,670

BRENTFORD (0) 3 **BLACKPOOL** (1) 2
Forster 51, Smith 75, Grainger 79 (pen) — Horner 35, Quinn 61
4,157

BRIGHTON (1) 1 **OXFORD UTD** (0) 1
Nogan 22 — Moody 63
9,970

BRISTOL R (1) 4 **WREXHAM** (0) 2
Clark 2, 88, Taylor 66, Miller 82 — Brammer 50, Connolly 85
4,441

CAMBRIDGE (1) 1 **SWANSEA** (2) 3
Granville 40 — Penney 3, 45, Torpey 73
2,795

CARDIFF (0) 0 **PLYMOUTH** (0) 1
Castle 68
5,674

CREWE (0) 1 **WYCOMBE** (2) 2
Walters 86 — Regis 12, Carroll 45
4,466

HUDDERSFIELD (1) 2 **STOCKPORT** (1) 1
Booth 1, 78 — Chalk 23
9,526

HULL (0) 0 **ROTHERHAM** (2) 2
4,431 — Goodwin 6, Goater 41

SHREWSBURY (3) 3 **LEYTON ORIENT** (0) 0
Brown 30, Clarke 31, Currie 33
3,560

Yesterday

BIRMINGHAM (4) 4 **PETERBOROUGH** (0) 0
Bull 18, 33, Tait 21, Dominguez 69
10,600

THIRD DIVISION

EXETER (0) 1 **LINCOLN** (0) 0
Thirlby 84
2,180

HARTLEPOOL (1) 2 **GILLINGHAM** (0) 0
Houchen 39, Walsh 69 (pen)
1,756

MANSFIELD (0) 1 **NORTHAMPTON** (0) 1
Holland 64 — Aldridge 48
2,557

PRESTON (0) 1 **DARLINGTON** (1) 3
Trebble 76 — Appleby 43, Olsson 59, Chapman 78
8,884

ROCHDALE (0) 0 **BURY** (0) 3
3,748 — Carter 69, Paskin 75, 87

SCARBORO (0) 0 **CHESTRFLD** (1) 1
1,475 — Curtis 4

SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 **BARNET** (0) 0
Juryeff 47
2,481

TORQUAY (1) 3 **COLCHESTER** (0) 3
Trollope 3, Hancox 67, Darby 98 — Whitton 63, Brown 72, Dennis 89
3,390

WALSALL (3) 5 **FULHAM** (0) 1
Marsh 3, 45, Lightbourne 25, 50, 52 — Brazil 84
3,378

WIGAN (0) 0 **CARLISLE** (0) 2
3,003 — Edmondson 63, Reeves 78

Postponed: Doncaster v Hereford.

SENDINGS OFF

Second division: Martyn Chalk (Stockport) 45, 2nd bookable offence; Ian Hendon (Leyton Orient) 32min, dissent.
Third division: Alan Johnson (Lincoln) 45, 2nd bookable offence.
GM Conference: Mark Risley (Dagenham) 43, 2nd bookable offence; Paul Grainger (Kidderminster) 62, 2nd bookable offence.

GOALSCORERS

First division: 9 Aldridge (Tranmere) 8 McCarthy (Oldham) 7 Mendonca (Grimsby) 6 McGinlay (Bolton), Whyte (Charlton), Kitson (Derby), Fjortoft (Swindon) 5 Malkin (Tranmere), Glover (Port Vale), Powell (Portsmouth) 4 Allison (Bristol City) Gray (Sunderland), Hendrie (Middlesbro), Lovell (Reading), Naylor (P Vale).
Second division: 10 Jewell (Bradford), Moody (Oxford Utd) 9 Nogan (Brighton) 8 Booth (Huddersfield) 7 Clarke (Shrewsbury) 6 Bennett (Wrexham), Taylor (Brentford)
Third division: 9 Carter (Bury), Freedman (Barnet) 8 Reeves (Carlisle) 7 Lightbourne (Walsall) Hancox (Torquay) 6 Sale (Preston) 5 Cooper (Barnet). 4 Juryeff (Scunthorpe) Marsh (Walsall), Okorie (Torquay), Paskin (Bury), Jones (Doncaster), White (Hereford), Gavin (Wigan), Wilkinson (Mansfield).

BELL'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

PREMIER DIVISION

ABERDEEN (0) 1 **PARTICK** (0) 1
Dodds 78 — Charnley 74
10,500

CELTIC (0) 1 **KILMARNOCK** (0) 1
McGinlay 88 — Williamson 60
28,457

FALKIRK (0) 0 **RANGERS** (1) 2
12,778 — Boli 6, Laudrup 80

HEARTS (2) 2 **DUNDEE UTD** (0) 1
Thomas 22, Frail 39 — Nixon 47
8,000

MOTHERWELL (0) 1 **HIBERNIAN** (0) 1
Shannon 52 — O'Neill 73
7,005

B & Q CUP

First round

AIRDRIE (2) 3 **BERWICK** (0) 1
Davies 27, Smith 36, 77 — Fraser 68
985

BRECHIN (0) 0 **DUNFERMLINE** (2) 2
857 — Petrie 13, McCathie 24

COWDENBEATH (0) 2 **CLYDE** (0) 1
Soutar 73, Tait 89 — McKenzie 54
454

DUMBARTON (0) 2 **ST JOHNSTONE** (2) 4
Campbell 77, 90 — Ramsey 24, O'Boyle 45 77, Davenport 82
1,000

DUNDEE (2) 5 **ARBROATH** (0) 0
Britton 26, 44, 55, 70, Shaw 47
2,205

EAST FIFE (0) 2 **ROSS CO** (0) 1
Hunter 71, Scott 81 — Macleod 58 (pen)
1,031

FORFAR (0) 0 **ALLOA** (0) 1
516 — Moffat 73

HAMILTON (2) 2 **STENHOUSEMUIR** (0) 1
Duffield 26 (pen), 35
738

MEADOWBANK (1) 1 **MONTROSE** (1) 2
Graham 21 — McGlashan 18, Cooper 118
150
(aet: 1-1 after 90 mins)

QUEEN OF S (0) 0 **RAITH** (2) 2
1,376 — Cameron 2, Crawford 14

STIRLING (3) 4 **ALBION** (0) 0
McInnes 5, Taggart 10, 44, Watters 51
567

STRANRAER (0) 1 **ST MIRREN** (0) 1
Ferguson 117 — Watson 115 (pen)
1,650
(aet: Stranraer win 5-4 on pens)

Yesterday

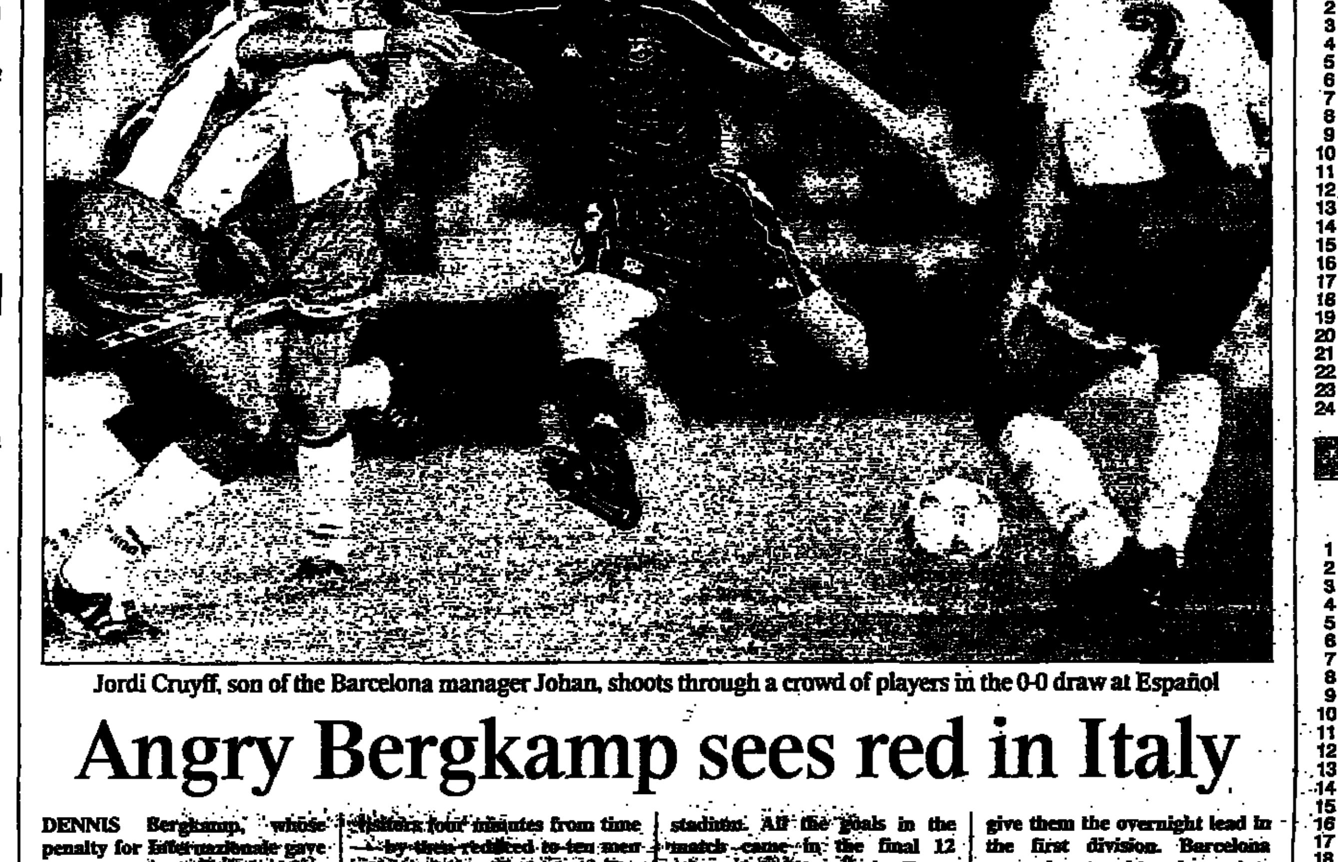
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Watt 16 — Burns 55 (pen)
768
(aet, 1-1 after 90 mins, Ayr win 4-2 on pens)

SENDINGS OFF

Premier division: David Weir (Falkirk) 79, professional foul; Steve Fulton (Falkirk) 83, foul play. **First division:** James Sherry (Hamilton) 85min, 2nd offence. **Second division:** Adrian Sprott (Stenhousemuir) 65, 2nd offence.

GOALSCORERS

Premier division: 6 Hateley (Rangers), Cadette (Falkirk), O'Neill (Hibernian) 5 Coyne (Motherwell), Kirk (Motherwell).



Jordi Cruyff, son of the Barcelona manager Johan, shoots through a crowd of players in the 0-0 draw at Español

Angry Bergkamp sees red in Italy

DENNIS Bergkamp, whose penalty for Internazionale gave his club a 1-0 lead in the first leg over Aston Villa in their Uefa Cup first-round tie on Thursday, was sent off during yesterday's Italian *Serie A* match at Brescia. Bergkamp was dismissed for violent conduct after elbowing a defender. The match finished goalless.

Parma, the only team in the league with a 100 per cent record, hold a two-point lead after their 2-1 home victory over Cagliari. Dino Baggio and Fernando Couto, both signed during the summer, were Parma's goalscorers, each converting a cross from the side's talented playmaker, Zola.

Four sides on seven points, two points adrift of the leaders, are in hot pursuit, but Sampdoria, lying second on goal difference, were held 1-1 at home by Foggia. Bertarelli gave Sampdoria a 43rd-minute lead, but Di Biagio equalised for the visitors four minutes from time — by then reduced to ten men after the dismissal of the defender, Bianchini — bringing Sampdoria's 100 per cent start to the season to an end.

AC Milan, the Italian champions, scored in injury time through Gullit, for their 2-1 win over Lazio in the San Siro stadium. All the goals in the match came in the final 12 minutes. Gullit gave the European Cup-holder the lead after 78 minutes and Lazio equalised in the 89th minute through Boksic.

In Spain, newly-promoted Español held Barcelona to a goalless draw on Saturday to give them the overnight lead in the first division. Barcelona came close to taking the points when Hagi, the brilliant Romanian midfield player, rounded the Español defence only for his shot to be tipped over the crossbar by the goalkeeper.

FC Utrecht wrested the Dutch first division lead from PSV Eindhoven yesterday. Their 2-1 defeat of FC Groningen, with goals from de Jong and Booy, maintained their perfect record so far this season. The lead is deceptive, however, as PSV have also won all their matches so far, but trail because they have played one game less. They beat Dordrecht '90 4-0 on Saturday while Ajax had their game at NAC Breda postponed because of flooding.

Newcastle United's opponents in the Uefa Cup, Royal Antwerp, failed to score in their Belgium first division match at Cercle Bruges yesterday, but still earned a point in 0-0 draw.

EUROPEAN RESULTS

GERMAN LEAGUE: Karlsruhe 3 1860 Munich 1; Bochum 1 Friburg 3; Dynamo Dresden 4 Duisburg 2; Bayern Munich 1 SV Hamburg 1, Schalke 04 3 Cologne 1; Bayer Uerdingen 1 Kaiserslautern 3; Bayer Leverkusen 2 Borussia Dortmund 2; Werder Bremen 1 Borussia Mönchengladbach 0 Friday: Bochum 1 Freiburg 3; Karlsruhe 3 TSV Munich 1. Leading positions (after 5 matches): 1, Werder Bremen, 9 points; 2, Borussia Dortmund, 7, 3, Karlsruher SC, 7.
DUTCH LEAGUE: MVV Maastricht 3 Willem II Tilburg 0, PSV Eindhoven 4 Dordrecht '90 0. Leading positions: 1, PSV Eindhoven, played 3, 6 points: 2, Utrecht, 3,6; 3, Ajax Amsterdam, 2, 4.
FRENCH LEAGUE: Nantes 3 Saint-Etienne 0; Cannes 0 Martigues 1, Lens 1 Le Havre 1, Strasbourg 1 Caen 0; Monaco 0 Rennes 0; Metz 0 Nice 0; Sochaux 1 Bordeaux 4; Bastia 1 Montpellier 1. Leading positions: 1, Nantes, played 9, 21; 2, Lyons, 8, 17. 3, Lens, 9, 16.
PORTUGUESE: Sporting 2 Maritimo 0 Leading positions: 1, Sporting, played 4, 8 points: 2, Porto, 3, 6; 3, Benfica, 3, 6
ITALIAN LEAGUE: Bari 1 Reggiana 0; Brescia 0 Inter Milan 0, Fiorentina 3 Cremonese 1; AC Milan 2 Lazio 1, Parma 2 Cagliari 1; Rome 3 Genoa 0; Sampdoria 1 Foggia 1; Torino 2 Padova 0. Leading positions (after 3 matches): 1, Parma, 9 points: 2, Sampdoria, 7; 3, Roma, 7; 4, Fiorentina, 7; 5, AC Milan, 7, 6, Lazio, 6; 7, Foggia, 5.
GREEK LEAGUE: Apollon 2 Aris 0; Doxa Drama 1 Panionios 1; Edessaikos 1 Olympiakos 1; Ethnikos 4 Kavala 0; Iraklis 0 Athinaikos 0; Levadiakos 1 OFI Crete 3; Xanthi 2 Larissa 3.
FAI NATIONAL LEAGUE: Shield Competition: Southern section: Limerick 4 Kilkenny City 1; University College Dublin 1 Waterford Utd 1.

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FIRST DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Wolves	8	4	0	0	10	0	1	2	1	4	4	17	+10
2 Middlesbro	8	3	1	0	7	3	2	1	1	5	3	17	+6
3 Reading	8	2	2	0	5	0	2	0	2	5	3	14	+7
4 Swindon	8	3	2	0	5	1	1	0	2	3	4	14	+3
5 Tranmere	8	4	0	0	12	6	0	1	3	2	7	13	+1
6 Stoke	8	3	0	1	8	4	1	1	2	3	9	13	-2
7 Port Vale	8	3	0	1	7	4	1	1	2	3	6	13	0
8 Charlton	8	2	2	0	7	5	1	1	2	6	9	12	-1
9 Sunderland	8	1	3	0	6	4	1	3	0	3	2	12	+3
10 Bolton	8	2	1	1	6	3	1	1	2	7	7	11	+3
11 Derby	8	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	2	5	7	11	-1
12 Grimsby	8	2	1	1	10	6	0	3	1	4	5	10	+3
13 Portsmth	7	1	2	1	4	5	1	2	0	3	2	10	0
14 Oldham	8	2	0	2	9	7	1	0	3	5	7	9	0
15 Millwall	8	2	1	1	11	7	0	2	2	2	5	9	+1
16 Luton	8	0	2	2	3	7	2	1	1	7	6	9	-3
17 Bristol City	8	1	2	1	2	3	1	1	2	6	6	9	-1
18 Barnsley	8	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	2	4	6	9	-3
19 Watford	8	1	2	1	5	6	1	1	2	2	4	9	-3
20 Sheff Utd	7	2	1	1	7	4	0	1	2	2	4	8	+1
21 Burnley	8	0	2	2	2	4	2	0	2	4	7	8	-5
22 Southend	8	2	0	2	4	5	0	1	3	4	14	7	-11
23 Notts Co	8	0	1	3	2	7	1	1	2	6	6	5	-5
24 WBA	6	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	2	4	7	4	-3

SECOND DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Oxford Utd	8	3	1	0	8	2	2	2	0	9	5	18	+10
2 Huddersfld	8	2	1	1	7	6	3	1	0	11	4	17	+8
3 Bradford	8	2	1	1	4	3	3	1	0	10	2	17	+8
4 Wycombe	8	2	1	1	8	5	3	0	1	5	3	16	+5
5 Crewe	8	3	0	1	10	7	2	0	2	8	5	15	+6
6 Birmnghm	8	3	0	1	9	3	1	2	1	5	4	14	+7
7 Bristol Rov	8	2	2	0	9	5	1	3	0	3	0	14	+7
8 Wrexham	8	3	0	1	5	2	1	2	1	6	6	14	+3
9 Stockport	8	3	0	1	7	3	1	1	2	8	9	13	+3
10 Brighton	8	2	2	0	4	2	1	2	1	6	6	13	+2
11 Brentford	8	2	0	2	5	5	2	0	2	10	7	12	+3
12 Peterboro	8	1	2	1	5	8	2	1	1	6	6	12	-3
13 Blackpool	8	2	1	1	7	8	1	1	2	7	8	11	-2
14 York	8	2	1	1	7	4	1	1	2	5	5	11	+3
15 Swansea	8	0	3	1	1	3	2	2	0	9	5	11	+2
16 Hull	8	2	0	2	4	4	1	1	2	4	8	10	-4
17 Shrewsbry	8	1	3	0	10	7	1	0	3	6	7	9	+2
18 Cambridge	8	2	0	2	8	9	0	2	2	1	5	8	-5
19 Leyton O	8	2	2	0	7	5	0	0	4	1	8	8	-5
20 Rotherhm	8	1	1	2	5	8	1	0	3	4	7	7	-6
21 Cardiff	8	0	2	2	2	5	1	1	2	5	7	6	-5
22 Plymouth	8	0	1	3	2	13	1	1	2	4	7	5	-14
23 Chester	8	0	0	4	3	10	0	1	3	2	6	1	-11
24 Bournmth	8	0	1	3	3	10	0	0	4	2	10	1	-15

THIRD DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Carlisle	8	4	0	0	7	2	3	1	0	8	4	22	+9
2 Bury	8	3	1	1	6	1	3	0	0	9	0	19	+14
3 Barnet	8	2	1	1	9	5	3	0	1	4	2	16	+6
4 Torquay	8	2	2	0	8	6	2	1	1	7	5	15	+4
5 Doncaster	8	2	2	0	4	0	2	1	1	4	2	15	+6
6 Preston	8	1	0	1	5	3	3	2	1	7	4	14	+5
7 Darlington	8	2	1	1	5	4	2	1	1	4	2	14	+3
8 Scunthorpe	8	2	1	2	8	6	2	0	1	5	4	13	+3
9 Rochdale	8	2	0	2	6	7	2	1	1	6	8	13	-3
10 Chesterfld	8	1	1	2	2	2	3	0	1	7	6	13	+1
11 Walsall	8	2	1	1	9	5	0	3	1	3	4	10	+3
12 Colchester	8	2	0	2	5	8	1	1	2	4	6	10	-5
13 Lincoln	8	3	0	1	7	4	0	0	4	1	8	9	-4
14 Scarboro	8	1	0	3	3	4	2	0	2	4	6	9	-3
15 Exeter	8	3	0	1	5	4	0	0	4	0	7	9	-6
16 Gillingham	8	1	2	1	6	5	1	0	3	3	8	8	-4
17 Fulham	8	1	1	2	4	4	1	1	2	4	8	8	-4
18 Hartlepool	8	2	0	2	3	3	0	2	2	1	4	8	-3
19 Mansfield	7	1	1	2	3	4	1	0	2	4	5	7	-2
20 Hereford	8	0	2	3	2	6	1	0	2	4	7	5	-7
21 Northmptn	7	0	1	1	2	3	0	3	2	4	6	4	-3
22 Wigan	8	0	0	4	3	10	1	0	3	3	6	3	-10

NON-LEAGUE AND REGIONAL LEAGUES

GM CONFERENCE

DAG & RED (0) 0 **GATESHEAD** (0) 0
908

DOVER (0) 0 **BROMSGROVE** (1) 2
Skelding 45 (pen), Carter 46
1,198

KETTERING (2) 3 **NORTHWICH** (1) 3
Taylor 5, Thomas 25, Alford 77 (pen) — Snowdon 40, Oghani 53 (pen), O'Connor 60
1,874

KIDDERMINSTER (3) 3 **HALIFAX** (0) 0
Forsyth 12, 35 (pen), Davies 41
2,062

MERTHYR (1) 2 **ALTRINCHAM** (4) 5
Dyer 30, Rogers 85 — France 4, Reid 11, Hassan 15, O'Neill 31, Green 87
505

RUNCORN (1) 1 **WOKING** (0) 0
Thomas 28
368

SOUTHPORT (0) 0 **FARNBOROUGH** (1) 1
1,035 — Boothe 13

STAFFORD (1) 4 **YEOVIL** (0) 1
Bradshaw 43, Drewitt 50 (pen), May 63, 77 — Coates 79
678

STEVENAGE (0) 1 **MACCLSFLD** (0) 1
Kalogeracos 51 — Howarth 56
1,243

TELFORD (1) 3 **BATH** (0) 0
Costello 35, Crooks 65, Wilson 73
722

WELLING (1) 3 **STALYBRIDGE** (2) 3
Gorman 30 (pen), 77, 79 — Anderson 7, Dixon 32, Bauress 57
636

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt
1 Farnborough	9	2	1	1	6	5	4	1	0	7	2	20
2 Altrincham	8	2	0	2	9	6	4	0	0	15	6	18
3 Kettering	9	2	2	0	5	3	3	1	1	9	5	18
4 Bath	9	2	1	1	10	7	3	1	1	6	5	17
5 Woking	9	2	2	1	11	9	3	0	1	5	3	17
6 Bromsgrove	9	3	2	0	10	5	1	1	2	7	8	15
7 Northwich	7	2	1	0	8	1	1	3	0	7	6	13
8 Kidderminster	9	3	0	1	10	4	1	1	3	4	8	13
9 Macclesfld	9	2	2	1	7	6	1	2	1	5	6	13
10 Halifax	8	2	1	1	6	3	1	2	1	5	6	12
11 Dover	7	1	2	1	4	4	2	0	1	6	4	11
12 Gateshead	8	1	3	2	4	4	2	1	1	6	8	11
13 Southport	8	2	0	2	10	6	1	1	2	3	5	10
14 Dag & Red	8	2	1	1	5	3	1	0	3	2	10	10
15 Telford	7	2	2	0	7	2	0	1	2	2	5	9
16 Stalybridge	8	1	1	1	3	5	1	2	2	10	9	9
17 Yeovil	9	1	0	3	4	7	1	3	1	7	7	9
18 Runcorn	9	2	1	2	7	9	0	0	4	5	12	7
19 Stevenage	7	0	1	3	3	8	1	1	1	5	3	5
20 Merthyr	8	1	1	2	6	9	0	1	3	2	8	5
21 Welling	8	1	1	2	6	9	0	0	4	4	13	4
22 Stafford	9	1	0	4	7	11	0	1	3	4	11	4

NORTHERN PREM

Premier division: Guiseley 3 Colwyn Bay 2; Hyde 1 Bishop Auckland 0. Marine 2 Frickley 0; Morecambe 2 Boston Utd 1. Winsford 3 Barrow 0: Witton 2 Spennymoor 1 First division: Blyth 2 Gretna 4.

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Marine	9	7	2	0	14	4	23
Boston Utd	8	5	2	1	21	11	17
Morecambe	8	5	2	1	17	7	17
Guiseley	7	5	2	0	16	11	17
B Auckland	8	5	0	3	16	8	15
Witton	9	4	3	2	9	8	15
Knowsley	7	3	4	0	13	7	13
Colwyn Bay	8	4	0	4	13	12	12
Winsford	7	3	2	2	11	10	11
Hyde	8	3	2	3	10	10	11
Spennymoor	8	3	2	3	10	12	11
Horwich	7	3	0	4	11	8	9
Accrington	7	2	3	2	7	8	9
Emley	7	2	2	3	11	13	8
Buxton	6	2	0	4	8	10	6
Barrow	8	2	0	6	11	17	6
Whitley Bay	8	1	2	3	7	12	5
Droylsden	7	1	2	4	5	13	5
Chorley	6	1	2	3	7	17	5
Gainsboro	6	1	1	4	8	12	4
Matlock	6	1	0	5	6	10	3
Frickley	7	0	1	6	3	13	1

BEAZER HOMES

Premier division: Atherstone 1 Halesowen 1; Hednesford 3 Cheltenham 1, Leek 3 Trowbridge 0, Worcester 4 Crawley 2. Southern division: Weston super Mare 0 Poole 3

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Hednesford	7	5	2	0	17	8	17
Cheltenham	7	5	1	1	20	6	16
Worcester	7	5	1	1	10	4	16
Leek Town	7	5	0	2	18	8	15
Gloucester	6	4	2	0	11	4	14
Rushden	6	4	1	1	13	9	13
Dorchester	6	3	2	1	11	7	11
Solihull	6	3	2	1	7	6	11
Atherstone	7	2	4	1	9	6	10
Sudbury T	6	3	1	2	10	8	10
Hastings	6	2	2	2	9	7	8
Chelmsford	6	2	2	2	7	6	8
Burton	6	2	2	2	9	9	8
Cambridge C	6	2	0	4	5	11	6
Halesowen	7	1	2	4	13	17	5
Gravesend	6	1	2	3	4	8	5
Trowbridge	7	1	2	4	5	10	5
VS Rugby	7	1	2	4	5	10	5
Gresley	6	1	1	4	7	11	4
Sittingbome	6	1	1	4	7	13	4
Crawley T	8	1	1	6	8	19	4
Corby T	6	0	1	5	3	21	1

DIADORA LEAGUE

Premier division: Carshalton 0 Grays 1; Chesham 1 Sutton United 3; Hitchin 0 Enfield 3, Kingstonian 0 Slough 3 Second division: Banstead 2 Saffron Walden 3, Barton 3 Witham 2; Chalfont 1 Ware 1; Cheshunt 2 Hungerford 3, Croydon 4 Aveley 1; Edgware 1 Oxford City 2; Egham 2 Bracknell 2, Hampton 7 Leatherhead 1; Hemel Hempstead 2 Windsor and Eton 3; Malden Vale 0 Tilbury 3, Metropolitan Police 4 Thame 3 Third division: Bedford 1 Feltham 2; Camberley 1 Horefield 2, Canvey Island 2 Clapton 1, Cove 0 Harlow 1; Flackwell 0 Epsom and Ewell 2; Hertford 1 Kingsbury 1; Hornchurch 0 Leighton 0; Horsham 0 Northwood 2; Lewes 4 Tring 2, Southall 5 East Thurrock 1

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Slough	9	7	1	1	19	10	22
Hayes	7	6	1	0	16	4	19
Enfield	9	5	3	1	23	11	18
St Albans	8	4	3	1	23	18	15
Bromley	8	4	2	2	13	9	14
Aylesbury	7	4	1	2	12	6	13
Carshalton	8	4	1	3	12	12	13
Purfleet	8	4	1	3	17	18	13
Sutton Utd	9	3	2	4	13	14	11
Chesham	8	3	1	4	14	13	10
Kingstonian	8	2	3	3	17	15	9
Harrow	7	3	0	4	7	8	9
Molesey	7	2	2	3	10	11	8
B Stortford	7	2	2	3	9	13	8
Walton	7	2	2	3	8	12	8
Grays	8	1	5	2	7	11	8
Yeading	7	2	1	4	12	15	7
Marlow	7	2	1	4	11	15	7
Dulwich	7	2	1	4	10	16	7
Hendon	7	1	2	4	10	15	5
Hitchin	8	1	2	5	7	15	5
Wokingham	7	1	1	5	9	18	4

FA TROPHY

First qualifying round: Whitley B 0 Bamber B 4. Bedlington 2 Peterlee N 1: W Auckland 4 Shildon 0. Harrogate 4 Eppleton 0, Tow Law 2 Lancaster 3. Consett 0 RTM Newcastle 0.

Guisborough 2 Murton 0; Hebburn 2 Prudhoe 1; Accrington S 1 Emley 0; Workington 2 G Harwood 2; Dunston B 2 Netherfield 0; Bridgnorth 2 Sutton C 0; Leicester 2 Caernarfon 2, Goole 1 Knowsley 1; Gresley 3 Congleton 2; Chorley 2 Bilston 0, Redditch 0 Eastwood 1, Mossley 2 Dudley 2; Farsley 1 Droylsden 1; Fleetwood 3 Radcliffe 0; Horwich 0 Nuneaton 3; Hinckley 3 Ilkeston 3; Matlock 2 Buxton 1; Armitage 1 Curzon A 1; Stourbridge 3 Gainsborough 6, Burton 1 Ashton U 1, Moor G 6 Worksop 4; Alfreton 2 Bedworth 4; Kings L 3 Burnham 3; Leyton 0 Purfleet 1; Berkhamstead 0 Boreham W 2; Wivenhoe 1 Rothwell 2; Hayes 1 Tamworth 0, RC Warwick 1 Harrow 3; Heybridge 2 Billericay 0; Rushden D 0 Hendon 0; Wembley 5 Bury 2; Aylesbury 5 Barking 0; Cambridge 6 Bishops S 1; Ruislip 0 Baldock 3, Sudbury 5 Corby 0, VS Rugby 4 Braintree 3; Hastings 0 Gravesend N 2; Chertsey 3 Tonbridge 1; Whyteleafe 1 Uxbridge 2; Dulwich 3 Dorking 1; Ashford T 3 Bognor R 4; Molesey 1 Sittingbourne 0; Wealdstone 3 Bromley 0; Tooting M 0 Walton H 2; Margate 0 Yeading 2; Erith B 0 Staines 1; Gloucester 1 Weymouth 0; Newbury 0 Buckingham 0; Maidenhead 0 Fareham 1; Yate 0 Forest G 2, Havant 3 Waterlooville 0; Evesham 0 Basingstoke 1; Abingdon 1 Witney 1; Dorchester 2 Wokingham 0; Newport 2 Salisbury 4, Clevedon 1 Bashley 1.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier Division: Armthorpe 2 Pickering 2; Belper 2 Ossett Town 1; Denaby 1 Stocksbridge 3; Glasshoughton 0 Brigg 1; Hucknall 0 Arnold 2; Liversedge 1 Hallam 2; North Ferriby 2 Lincoln United 2; Ossett Albion 1 Ashfield 0, Sheffield 1 Pontefract Col 1; Thackley 1 Maltby 2

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Barnstaple 1 Bridport 0; Bideford 1 Bristol Manor Farm 0; Calne 0 Liskeard Athletic 0; Chippenham 1 Tiverton 5, Crediton 3 Odd Down 0, Elmore 6 Westbury 0; Saltash 2 Frome 0; Torrington 1 Paulton 3

JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chatteris 1 Cornard 5, Histon 0 Lowestoft 5, Soham 1 Halstead 4, Watton 1 Felixstowe 0. Woodbridge 2 Fakenham 0; Wroxham 4 Haverhill 1.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bacup 3 Bootle 1; Blackpool 0 Trafford 3; Burscough 3 Eastwood 2; Chadderton 2 Skelmersdale 3; Clitheroe 6 Salford 2; Darwen 1 Rossendale 3; Holker 3 Glossop 2, Kidsgrove 1 St Helens 2; Maine Road 1 Penrith 1; Nantwich 1 Bradford PA 4; Prescot 0 Newcastle 1.

FEDERATION BREWERY NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham 4 Ferryhill 0; Seaham 2 Northallerton 3; Whitby 0 Durham 0.

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION. First division: Portsmouth 0 Tottenham 3.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: West Ham 2 QPR 1. League Cup First Round: Bournemouth 2 Portsmouth 0; Arsenal 0 Charlton 1; Brentford 1 Bristol C 1; Brighton 3 Reading 0; Cambridge 0 Colchester 2; Fulham 3 Southampton 1; Gillingham 1 Tottenham 1; L Orient 0 Ipswich 0; Luton 2 Norwich 0; Oxford 0 C Palace 3; Southend 2 Chelsea 3; Wimbledon 1 Swindon 1; Wycombe W 3 Bristol R 3.

REGIONAL

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Aberystwyth 1 Conwy 1; Alan Lido 3 Holywell 2; Bangor City 2 Barry Town 0; Connah's Quay 2 Caersws 1; Llanelli 3 Llansantffraid 3; Mold 2 Maesteg Park 0; Newtown 2 Cwmbran 1; Porthmadog 0 Ebbw Vale 1; Ton Pentre 3 Flint 0; I Cardiff 1 Rhyl 0.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Ton Pentre	5	4	1	0	16	6	13
Inter Cardiff	5	4	1	0	12	3	13
Bangor City	5	4	1	0	12	5	13
Connah's Q	5	3	1	1	5	5	10
Flint Town	5	3	0	2	14	6	9
Porthmadog	5	3	0	2	11	6	9
Mold	5	3	0	2	9	9	9
Alan Lido	5	3	0	2	7	8	9
Newtown	4	2	2	0	7	5	8
Barry Town	4	2	1	1	7	4	7
Holywell	5	1	3	1	10	10	6
Conwy	5	1	2	2	2	7	5
Llanelli	5	1	2	2	10	16	5
Caersws	5	1	1	3	10	11	4
Llansantffrd	5	1	1	3	9	11	4
Ebbw Vale	5	1	1	3	4	6	4
Cwmbran	5	1	0	4	8	12	3
Rhyl	5	1	0	4	8	16	3
Aberystwyth	5	0	2	3	5	10	2
Maesteg Park	5	0	1	4	1	11	1

TENNENTS LEAGUE CUP FINAL: Lossiemouth 4 Cove Rangers 5.

P&J HIGHLAND LEAGUE: Brora Rangers 1 Huntly 2, Clachnacuddin 1 Deveronvale 1; Fort William 1 Buckie Thistle 1; Fraserburgh 1 Keith 3; Peterhead 2 Elgin City 1; Rothes 1 Nairn County 1; Wick Academy 1 Forres Mechanics 0.

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ballymena 2 Carrick 2; Bangor 0 Cliftonville 0; Crusaders 3 Ballyclare 0; Distillery 1 Portadown 4; Larne 0 Glentoran 4; Linfield 1 Ards 1; Omagh Town 1 Coleraine 1.

POOLS CHECK

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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FORECAST: Telephone claims for 24pts; dividend forecast is moderate with 11 jackpot draws, 2 score draws, 3 no-score draws and one void game.

BELL'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

PREMIER DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Rangers	5	2	0	1	5	3	2	0	0	4	0	12	+6
2 Celtic	5	1	1	0	3	2	2	1	0	5	2	11	+4
3 Hibernian	5	1	2	0	7	2	1	1	0	2	1	9	+6
4 Aberdeen	5	1	2	0	6	4	0	1	1	3	4	6	+1
5 Motherwell	5	0	2	0	2	2	1	1	1	3	3	6	0
6 Falkirk	5	1	1	1	3	4	0	2	0	3	3	6	-1
7 Partick	5	1	0	2	3	4	0	1	1	2	3	4	-2
8 Hearts	5	1	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	2	7	4	-5
9 Dundee Utd	5	1	1	0	3	2	0	0	3	2	9	4	-6
10 Kilmarnck	5	0	1	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	3	3	-3

FIRST DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Dunfermline	5	2	0	0	5	0	1	2	0	2	1	11	+6
2 Dundee	5	2	1	0	6	2	1	0	1	3	5	10	+2
3 Airdrie	5	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	7	3	7	+2
4 Clydebank	5	2	0	1	7	3	0	1	1	2	3	7	+3
5 St Johnstone	5	0	1	1	1	2	1	2	0	5	4	6	0
6 St Mirren	5	1	1	0	3	2	0	2	1	2	4	6	-1
7 Hamilton	5	1	0	1	3	8	0	2	1	2	6	5	-7
8 Raith	5	0	3	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	1	4	-1
9 Stranraer	5	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	3	1	6	4	-4
10 Ayr	6	0	2	1	5	6	0	1	1	1	2	3	-2

SECOND DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Berwick	5	2	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	7	5	13	+4
2 East Fife	5	1	1	0	3	1	2	1	0	4	1	11	+5
3 Stenhsemuir	5	2	1	0	5	1	0	1	1	1	4	8	+1
4 Greenock M	5	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	2	2	4	7	0
5 Stirling	5	1	1	1	3	2	1	0	1	2	4	7	-1
6 Meadowbank	5	1	0	2	3	2	2	0	0	6	1	6	6
7 Queen of S	5	1	0	2	5	5	1	0	1	1	1	6	0
8 Dumbarton	5	1	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	2	6	4	-4
9 Clyde	5	0	0	2	4	6	1	0	2	2	4	3	-4
10 Brechin	5	0	1	2	3	8	0	1	1	1	3	2	-7

Meadowbank deducted 3 points for fielding an eligible player

THIRD DIVISION

	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
1 Caledonian	5	2	0	1	8	7	2	0	0	4	1	12	+4
2 Forfar	5	2	0	0	4	2	2	0	1	4	4	12	+2
3 Montrose	5	2	0	1	4	2	1	0	1	4	3	9	+3
4 E Stirling	5	1	1	0	6	2	1	1	1	4	4	8	+4
5 Ross Co	5	0	1	1	4	6	2	1	0	6	2	8	+2
6 Alloa	5	1	0	1	4	4	1	1	1	9	6	7	+3
7 Cowdenbth	5	1	1	1	7	5	1	0	1	3	2	7	+1
8 Queen's Pk	5	1	0	2	3	6	1	1	0	5	1	7	+1
9 Arbroath	5	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	3	5	14	1	-10
10 Albion	5	0	0	3	2	9	0	0	2	1	6	0	-12

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Hirst's mistake reflects lack of finesse

Sheffield Wednesday..... 1
Manchester City..... 1

BY PETER BALL

PAUL Walsh scored Manchester City's first away goal of the season on Saturday, and Tony Coton and his defenders ensured it was enough to earn City their first away point. It left Sheffield Wednesday still looking for their first home win of the season. But, if anything, Wednesday had the greater reason for optimism.

There is no doubt about the quality at the top of the FA Carling Premiership this season. This game suggested that there is some around in mid-table, too. But should Wednesday, after the money they have spent, be just a good mid-table side? For all the quality of their passing, are they a team of talented under-achievers?

It is early days and, as Trevor Francis, their manager, pointed out, they are better off than at this stage last season. Francis could add, with some justice, that trying to bed in half a team of new players when deprived of key players like Walker and Waddle does not help.

But the summer expenditure has taken Francis's spending to around £15 million. They need to be more than promising, and there are already rumblings of discontent in those barometers of supporters' feelings, the letters columns of the *Football Pink* (Green in Sheffield's case) and the local radio phone-ins.

On Saturday, for all their fine approach work, the end product was missing.

Coton was partly responsible, making a series of good saves and two outstanding ones from Hirst and Sinton before City scored. But Hirst missed one gaping chance as Sheridan caught City's defence square.

It was the miss of a striker just off his game. His third good chance was treated more uncharacteristically.

From the sort of position where he would usually have made the net billow, he cut across goal and then passed the ball-on. That was not the only occasion a Wednesday player passed up the opportunity — or responsibility — for shooting.

It is a large burden for Hirst, with Bright searching for his first goal of the season. But Watson does not lack confidence, and when he came on he at last got the goal Wednesday's approach play deserved, nutmegging Hill before cutting in and beating Coton at the far post.

In the first half, City had played their part in the game's ebb and flow, and Walsh, with a brilliant piece of opportunism, had given them the lead with their first away goal of the season on the stroke of half-time.

From then on they were hanging on grimly. City's best players were in defence. Edghill had an outstanding game, spoilt only by two tackles from behind. Neither was violent, but both caught their target. Sinton went off with damaged ankle ligaments. Hirst got back up to play on.

In a game of four bookings, three for mistimed tackles, and one for a moment of frustration, Edghill escaped censure. What refereeing revolution?

Still managing nicely in a ruthless business

Sweet talk and Sugar but no spice

Robert Crampton talks to Terry Venables, the Dagenham boy driven by desire to English football's pinnacle



Venables: "Under pressure, not quite Graham Tayloresque, but heading that way". Photograph: Paul Massey

Here comes The Management. One hand in one pocket, the other tugging at his jacket button, Terry Venables steams into the lounge of his club, Scribes West International, in Kensington, London. The newish England football coach and brand-new autobiographer is not in the best of moods. He is half an hour late, and he does not like the furniture removals undertaken by the photographer in the construction of a temporary studio. "Hey, come on, this is a bit cheeky, this is a club, we're trying to run a business here," he says. Alan Sugar could not have put it better.

The photo session finishes. Venables hustles off to soothe some mid-afternoon drinkers, and I study the plaque on the wall that commemorates Margaret Thatcher's opening of Scribes in 1990. Then Terry and I have our chat. For the next 45 minutes, although he relaxes enough to twist his charm tap open a quarter turn, I can't rid myself of the idea that he might shear the thread shut at any moment. He looks like a man under the most enormous pressure — not quite Graham Tayloresque, yet, but heading that way, and he's only been in charge for four "friendlies".

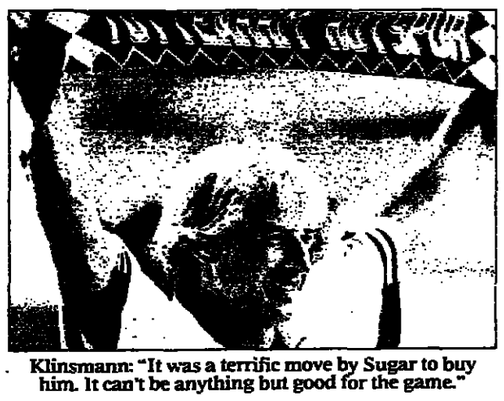
When he frowns, his forehead actually opens rather than contracts, and his hair seems to move, as if it is merely on nodding terms with his scalp. I take this to be a sign of tension. And in his book I had read that, during his first training session as a player at Tottenham, he punched the legendary 1960s hard-man, Dave Mackay, smack in the face. Mackay had hit Venables rather lower down, in what Venables quaintly describes as his "three-piece suite". By tying up a room in Scribes, we seem to have hurt him in the second most vulnerable part of a man's body, his wallet, and he can't quite forgive us.

We move on to talk about the book. Frankly, the chapters on the Tottenham saga — hedged about as they are with continuing legal constraints — are the dullest. The revelation that the man with the money rather crudely and rather easily outmanoeuvred and outnastied the people's choice is no revelation at all. For me, the biggest surprise is that Venables, a man who has been there and done everything, a man so confident of his own success that he signed his own autograph book at the age of 11, did not write his autobiography himself. That was down to Neil Hanson. "We worked closely on it, but I wasn't actually at the typewriter, no," Venables says.

Surprising, because Venables has done a stint as a scribe. He has co-written novels. He learnt to type while still a player. He wrote his own programme column. You could believe, just, as you could not with most footie biogs, that the references to *Catch 22* and Kafka are his own. And he sang, and danced, and invented things, and won two England caps, and played for four London clubs and managed three of them, and bought one, and on the way to that he managed the biggest football club in the world, Barcelona. All this from a boy from Dagenham.

But then the boy was always a bit special, and the area east of the East End of London is one of three in Britain — the others are Clydeside and Geordieland — that churn out quality footballers as they churned out cars or ships. "My first love was always football, but I wanted to try other things too. Maybe I wouldn't be very good at them, but I wanted to try."

He was born in 1943, an only child. His father drove lorries. His mother was the daughter of Welsh miners and she drove her boy hard. "There *was* a desire to get on. But you didn't say, 'Oh, I live in terrible surroundings, how do I get out? Oh, I'll be a footballer'." His mother advised him that, if he had to play, he should at least prepare himself for the day when he could play no longer.



Klinsmann: "It was a terrific move by Sugar to buy him. It can't be anything but good for the game."

Venables had ambition, talent and dedication, and he also had common sense: he listened to his mother. "Footballers finish training at 12 o'clock. You've got plenty of time. We saw this with Trelleborgs the other night. Supposed to be part-timers, but that's nonsense, they train every day and they're good enough to beat Blackburn, but they're also becoming doctors or lawyers. What we do is play snooker and sit in the pub. I did it myself, but I wasn't really satisfied."

And he never was satisfied, for himself or others. When his playing days as a midfield general — well, more Field Marshal really, he was notoriously bossy — ended, he became manager at Crystal Palace. He tried there to interest players in developing other careers. "They loved it, then one by one they dropped away. You couldn't make them drink the water. But they appreciated the effort." Such effort is the secret of Venables's success as a coach, particularly as a coach of potentially great players, like Gascoigne: he treats them as human beings, with futures as well as presents, and while it is hard to picture Dr Paul Gascoigne or Tony Adams taking silk, it's the thought that counts, and they seem to love him for it.

Talking of footballers' brains brings us nicely to one already using his to the full: Jürgen Klinsmann, of Tottenham and Germany, signed up by Sugar in what looks like the best bit of transfer business since Alex Ferguson snapped up Eric Cantona. Terry's hair goes up and down. He says: "It was a terrific move, a great move. The three players they've got are big talents. It can't be anything but good for the game." Jealous? "No." Sugar's revenge? "No, not really. There's the football side and there's the personal side. He's done something well, so well done. I'd be the first to say that. But that's the way we fell out in the first place, that's the irony of it. I wanted to buy players and he didn't." Would he have liked to bring a foreign star like Klinsmann to White Hart Lane? "It wouldn't have been a possibility, but to be fair again to him [Sugar], which I don't particularly want to be, perhaps he has realised that

> 'Football is the last bastion of naked capitalism. Win, you're in. Don't, you're out'

he made a mistake. And it is Tottenham now as they should be. Top-class club, top-class players."

Right. Is it true that he is not allowed to go to matches at Tottenham? "*Allowed* to go? 'Course I'm *allowed* to go." But didn't Sugar say that he was not welcome at White Hart Lane? The hair rises: "You're trying to stoke me up here, aren't you?" No, I say, I was just thinking, with you supporting Tottenham as a boy, wasn't it poignant that you can't go any more? The hair falls: "It's not a problem to me. I don't miss it. I'm travelling everywhere. I can still see them. I saw them a few times away last year, there's videos and so on."

It is a strange job, being the England football coach, often likened to politics, because while the fortunes of the country ride upon your own, everyone in the country thinks they could do better. Venables's stint so far has been likened to the Labour leader's, because they are both still on honeymoon. It's an interesting game — Brian Clough is Tony Benn, Graham Taylor is obviously John Major and so on — but you can't really compare Venables to Tony Blair, despite Venables's Labour background, from which he has now moved away. His business is altogether more ruthless: "It's the last bastion of naked capitalism, football, isn't it? You win, you're in, you don't, you're out." And does he like that? "Um, I don't mind that, I don't mind that at all."

● ***Venables: the autobiography*** **by Terry Venables and Neil Hanson is published by Michael Joseph on Thursday at £15.99.**

Spurs left low as Joachim ends on a high

Leicester City 3
Tottenham Hotspur..... 1

BY ALYSON RUDD

PERHAPS the real measure of how poorly Tottenham performed is that Leicester resembled Barcelona. They could not help it. A pleasantly surprised Brian Little, the Leicester manager, said: "Today is the first time the keeper's been able to catch the ball and throw it out and let us get at the opposition. That's the first time in three years. We've never played like that."

It took Leicester half an hour to come to terms with the space Tottenham were giving them, but once they grasped the basic principle — don't look a gift horse in the mouth — they attacked with abandon, growing in confidence over 90 minutes the way it takes most teams to grow over 90 matches.

Leicester began Saturday afternoon looking for their first win in the FA Carling Premiership and ended on a delicious high with Julian Joachim scoring the Premiership goal of the day in the ninetieth minute.

For Leicester the visit of Tottenham came not a moment too soon. They suffered a difficult opening run of fixtures, losing at home to Newcastle United and then away at Blackburn Rovers and Nottingham Forest. This result should encourage them to try to outplay Everton on Saturday.

Tottenham, meanwhile, appear to be in post-operative depression. They were so badly in need of a vital-organs transplant last season that nobody paused to consider the effect radical surgery might have.

The high-profile, unexpected signings of Klinsmann and Dumitrescu lifted morale. A Tottenham side that nearly fell into the first division was transformed into a beacon of fluid, inspirational, attacking football, a vibrant, entertaining force to be reckoned with.

Despite defeat at home to Manchester United and then Southampton last Monday, Osvaldo Ardiles, the Tottenham manager, still talked of his side as the most exciting team in the country. After the collapse at Filbert Street, he was forced to concede: "We're not hard enough. We leave the defence far too unprotected."

The introduction of Gheorghe Popescu, Tottenham's £2.9 million signing from PSV Eindhoven, can only improve Tottenham's defending.

Nethercott and Calderwood were embarrassed as Joachim opened the scoring just before the interval. David Lowe made it 2-0 with a superb strike before Klinsmann pulled a goal back, a fierce left-footed shot. It is the German forward who seems to be doing most to keep Tottenham's spirits alive.

It is simply not a good enough excuse that Tottenham are too attack-minded. First, their attacks, of late, have been inadequate, and second, Newcastle are proving that an attractive, attacking side can be tough to break down.

Ardiles knows this and said he wants a "tough, uncompromising" attitude to balance "all the beautiful things you can say about football".

Sponsors' support strong as cloud over drugs issue begins to disperse

National finals bring breath of fresh air

BY DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THE first inspection of troops after the bloody siege by steroids will have pleased the generals of British athletics. Morale is intact. The national cup finals at Bedford on Saturday were a guide to how deeply wounded the sport in Britain has been by the drugs controversies reported from the European championships and Commonwealth Games. Here was the climax to the club season, a chance to measure the spirit of rank-and-file athletes. After all the talk of pills and chemists, it felt like a walk through the health shop.

Nobody is pretending that club athletics is clean, and the presence at Bedford of Sale Harriers and Belgrave Harriers, and the absence of their now notorious members, Diane Modahl and Paul Edwards, ensured that the subject of drugs would not take a day off. Indeed, Haringey's expulsion from the final because Solomon Wariso had contributed semi-final points between the taking and announcement of a positive test gave fresh life to the issue.

But there is heartening news. One fear raised by the media mortar fire on British athletics in the wake of the Edwards and Modahl tests was that sponsors would back off, but Guardian Insurance, the sport's longest-serving supporter in Britain, is not running for cover. Guardian reaffirmed its £150,000-a-year sponsorship of the league and cups for the next two seasons.

Guardian's support began in 1977 and, with its help, a league has flourished that has contributed to Britain's international success. From Allan Wells to Linford Christie, Todd Bennett to Du'aine Ladejo, the league has been an important testing ground.

"Obviously the drugs issue has caused a big cloud over athletics, but it has to be put into the context of the sport as a whole," John Sinclair, the Guardian managing director, said. "Nothing has happened so far that would cause me to consider withdrawing our sponsorship."

Another concern was that parents would worry about their children's involvement in a drugs-invaded activity, but



Salle: high point

Thames Valley Harriers, who completed the men's double by winning the cup, report that not one parent has raised a doubt. Thames Valley is one of Britain's fastest growing clubs, having doubled membership in the last two years, and Jim Ripley, the team manager, said: "I have not heard anyone say: 'I do not want my kids to compete'."

Nor has the adverse publicity brought a moment's regret for Julian Golding, a potential successor to Linford Christie, who remains delighted that he chose athletics ahead of tennis, the other sport at which he showed a talent. Golding, a junior among seniors at Bedford, won the 100 and 200 metres for Blackheath Harriers then said his determination had been unaffected.

"It can hinder you if you let it, but you have to forget about it," Golding said. He feels the sport has been misrepresented because some athletes are being branded as guilty for taking innocuous substances. "If you take a simple cough remedy, the public thinks you are a cheat," Golding said.

Thames Valley, Christie's club, did not have their Olympic champion, but won all the same, as did Essex Ladies without Sally Gunnell. In only one event did their man finish outside the top four. For Essex Ladies, Ashia Hansen won the 100 metres and set a Commonwealth triple jump record with 14.09 metres. Hansen jumped 14.22 metres at Welwyn Garden City recently but, without graded officials and drugs control, it did not count.

Christie and Gunnell were absent, but the meeting had a World Cup champion. Fred Salle, the long jump winner a week earlier, won the high jump then opined that drug-taking is more prevalent now than in his early international days of the mid-Eighties.

Leeds make hard work of modest opposition

Leeds..... 26
Salford 20

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

LEEDS have all the trappings of a Premier League club. Headingley boasts arguably the best facilities, but not quite the team to match. Rugby league has only one super club for its proposed super league and, Wigan aside, the rest appear to be in for a worse struggle than ever this season.

The Leeds bubble has gone on bursting for two decades now. At Wigan two weeks ago, it went with a resounding crack and the reverberations continued to be felt yesterday. This was Leeds approaching their worst. Many of the problems stemmed from Holroyd's *laissez faire* attitude at stand-off half, which cried out for Schofield to be switched there from centre. He was not.

The irony was that, early on, Leeds contrived an 11-man passing move, in a glorious sweep from the left to right side and back, that ended in Holroyd going over. Things went downhill fast, as chances went begging and tries were handed Salford gift-wrapped.

Panapa should have been collared by Harmon on half-way, and the New Zealander had the legs to outkick Hanley. Leeds were fortunate to reply quickly. McAvoy's fingertips narrowly missed an interception and Tait, the one really alert Leeds player, was able to put Hanley clear. After Holroyd's subsequent try, Leeds were 10-4 up and too cocky by half.

A succession of fluffed try attempts led to increasing frustration. Faimalo lost possession driving to the line. Eyres had a rush of blood to the head in failing to travel the extra yard and sending a suicidal pass to Schofield, and Holroyd lost his footing and failed to get up quickly enough for another almost certain score.

McAvoy, who scored two tries on his Salford debut last week, managed another as the visitors rallied at the finish. But killing off Salford properly was always beyond Leeds. Tait's strong running on to a ball held up by Hanley in the tackle gave them breathing space, but then a rash pass by Hanley after a fine break by Mercer ended in a score at the other end of the field by Ford.

Tait and Fallon scored within two minutes, but Salford's persistence and Leeds's lack of resistance brought the tries by Ford and McAvoy, of whom more will definitely be heard.

SCORERS: Leeds: Tries: Tait (2), Hanley, Holroyd, Fallon. Goals: Holroyd (3) Salford: Tries: McAvoy (2), Ford (2), Panapa

LEEDS: A Tait, J Fallon (sub: G Mann, 49mm) K Iro, G Schofield, F Cummins, G Holroyd, P Eniac N Harmon (sub Howard, 30), M Vassalakopoulos (sub Fallon, 71), E Faimalo (sub Harmon, 58), G Mercer, R Eyres, E Hanley

SALFORD: S Mahon, P Coussons, N McAvoy, S Naylor, P Ford, S Panapa, S Brown; D Young, J Quigley, R Webster (sub: R Marsden, 50), C Randall, C Eccles (sub Webster, 73). M Gregory (sub: J Critchley, 57)

Referee: C Morris

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Australia take early steps to find cover for their top players


Horan: sevens target

BY GREG CAMPBELL

Rugby these days is full of acronyms. Australia have adopted a new one: REPEAT. It stands for Reach Ellis Park and Ensure Another Twickenham. That is, achieve the final of the 1995 World Cup in Ellis Park Stadium, Johannesburg, and, once there, make sure the result is the same as at Twickenham in 1991, when Australia lifted the Webb Ellis trophy.

Australia's selectors are leaving few stones unturned. Already, a World Cup training squad has been named, to which will be added players successful during the Emerging Wallabies tour to Africa next month.

Two positions in particular will be carefully surveyed as the Emerging Wallabies go through their six tour matches: centre and lock. Tim Horan and Garrick Morgan, two of the country's most talented players, come to the end of another Australian season with substantial queries over them, although Horan's has been caused by the knee injury he suffered playing for Queensland against Natal in May.

According to Greg Craig, the Wallaby physiotherapist, Horan is on target to resume running in November with a view to playing early-season sevens next March. So committed and determined is Horan to win World Cup selection, he and his family have moved from Brisbane to Sydney to be within easy reach of Craig so that he can undergo daily treatment.

While Horan's future rests on his recuperative powers and Craig's remedial mastery, Morgan is torn between a large rugby league offer and the chance of being part of a winning World Cup team, a team of which he has been a vital member for three years at either back row or, more recently, lock.



Morgan comes from a strong rugby league background. John "Pogo" Morgan, his father, was a leading player with the Manly-Warringah club some 20 years ago and won international honours for Australia. But Morgan Jr attended Downlands College on the Darling Downs, west of Brisbane, and he graduated to the international team via the Australian schools and under-21 teams.

The league offer from the Queensland Crushers, one of the new clubs preparing to play next season, is believed to be more than Aus $200,000 (about £150,000) a year, the money guaranteed even if Morgan is injured during the first training session and never laces a boot for the Crushers. This represents the kind of insurance policy which the explosive lock is very tempted to take.

So desperate is the Australian Rugby Union to retain Morgan's services that he recently met leading union officials and Sydney businessmen to discuss his future. In the meantime, Morgan played yesterday in the Brisbane grand final Souths against Sunnybank.

Four years ago, the Emerging Wallabies who toured England and Europe threw up such rich nuggets as John Eales and Willie Ofahengaue. The squad next month, led by Dan Crowley (himself a member of the 1990 side), the experienced international prop, will be coached by John Connolly, of Queensland, with the assistance of the former internationals, Peter Carson and Chris Carberry.

Crowley is one of nine capped players in the squad whose younger members include Andrew Apps, the enterprising full back, Joe Roff, a teenage wing, Marco Caputo, a thickset hooker, and Fili Finau and Daniel Manu, two dynamic flankers. Manu, a former New Zealand under-21 and Auckland representative, is highly regarded since he moved to Sydney at the beginning of the year.

During 1994, injuries to such established players as Horan, Eales, Ofahengaue and Michael Lynagh have disrupted the senior Australia team, but have given, at the same time, opportunities to identify fresh talent which otherwise the selectors would not have taken. But the selectors do not want to wait until the two-match series with Argentina next year before establishing the lines of succession to Horan and Morgan.

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Next week: South Africa

Bath show too much ringcraft for rivals

Northampton 16
Bath 32

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

WERE the Courage Clubs Championship a fairground, Bath would be the pugilist in the boxing booth, taking on all comers. Up step the challengers, eager and brave, only to depart with a bloody nose, victims of the experience, confidence and inner compulsion that drives Bath to league titles and cup triumphs.

"If they entered Bath for the Eurovision song contest, they'd probably win that," one wag said at Franklins Gardens on Saturday.

Northampton played some sparkling rugby, taking the game to Bath early on, using the conditions sensibly late in the day. In between, Bath, dare one say in these ambiguous times, turned in a splendidly professional performance, shrugging off the loss just before the interval of John Hall, their captain and the man who now personifies the club.

Not even the muscular Hall could take the combined weight (nearly 35 stone) of Rodber and Walton as he was felled in a tackle. He has sprung a rib cartilage which will keep him out for a minimum of three weeks; the leadership will go to de Glanville, the back-row position probably to Ojomoh and Bath's momentum will roll on.

Even Grayson's feat of scoring all 16 points for his side was eclipsed by Callard, with 17, although the full back goes into hospital today for an exploratory look at the damaged knee which threatened to prevent him playing here.

Catt, growing rapidly into the stand-off half role, will have to dust down his kicking boots should Callard be forced to rest but so much of the South African's game is in good order, that another obligation will hardly worry him.

Two incidents epitomised the difference between the teams: Adebayo's long pass gave Swift room on the right and he stood up Hunter with the practised ease of a genuine international wing to score the first of two tries in the corner. Moir, given the same opportunity in almost exactly the same position, was scythed down by Catt short of the line. In one corner, age and experience; in the other, youthful enthusiasm and a touch of naivety.

Already the preparations of Brian Ashton, Bath's coach, have been affected by England's. Saturday's team was together last week for 90 minutes only, the usual Monday and Wednesday club training pared down to one evening because of Ashton's reluctance to add to the load of the 11 national-squad men who met at Marlow last week and will do so at regular intervals all season.

Perhaps that accounts for Bath being so remiss as to allow Northampton to take the lead through Grayson's well-worked try. The Midlands club, who were launching a £1.6 million debenture scheme to finance a new stand at the lake end of their ground, deserved it for their sprightly play but it brought the wrath of the champions upon them.

When Bath enter what some coaches call the "must-score zone", they do. Thus every time they approached the opposing 22, they collected points, twice directly from Northampton's possession which most offended the purist in Ian McGeechan, Northampton's director of rugby from next month.

They outscrummaged Northampton and even though, for the second week running, they lost the lineout battle, they proved that sport is what you do with the ball, not how often you hold it. Nevertheless, Northampton, shorn of three first-choice backs and with Hynes, the England A prop, still to make his debut, can be pleased with the maturing Pountney and Hunter's gradual return to form.

Since a knee injury forced him out of England's summer tour to South Africa, Hunter has exercised diligently but has been running only for a fortnight; every game he plays increases his confidence and he is ambitious to make life as warm for Paul Hull, the reigning England full back, as he can.

SCORERS: Northampton: Try: Grayson. Conversion: Grayson. Penalty goals: Grayson (3). Bath: Tries: Swift (2), Adebayo. Conversion: Callard. Penalty goals: Callard (5)
NORTHAMPTON: I Hunter, C Moir, F Packman, R MacNaughton, H Thomeycroft; P Grayson, B Taylor; M Volland, P Roworth, C Allen, P Walton, M Bayfield, N Edwards, A Pountney, T Rodber.
BATH: J Callard; A Swift, P de Glanville, A Lumsden, A Adebayo, M Catt, I Sanders; D Hilton, G Dawe, J Mallett, J Hall, N Redman, A Reed, S Ojomoh, B Clarke. Hall replaced by T Beddow (41min)
Referee: S Lander (Liverpool).

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IAN STEWART


Gripping stuff at the Stoop as Harlequins attempt to prevent Wasps from setting up another attack

Wasps vanquish submissive foe

BY SIMON BARNES

Had this been a proper professional game, people's jobs would have been at risk after this match on Saturday. But had this been a proper professional game, I don't suppose half the team and more would have packed it in after half-time.

But no manager will be dismissed, and no player transferred to Hartlepool. A pity, that. Harlequins led Wasps 21-12 at half-time; they then chucked the game away and lost 57-26. They permitted Wasps seven tries in the second half. Somewhat flaccid stuff, chaps.

Wasps narrowly missed their half-century in their first game of the season; on Saturday they discovered that it is even easier to rack up the points if your opponents don't tackle. Oh well, the league's a bit of a bore, isn't it, lads, and so are those oyks from Wasps.

The match was a three-phase paradigm of the game of rugby union: excellence followed by nonsense followed by amateurishness. The first phase, indeed the first half, was a belter: committed and skilful. But the second half brought the second phase, and the ludicrous sight of a dozen players fighting for the ball and 30 yards away, another bunch just fighting.

After the immediate and decisive action that custom demands — the ref tells both captains it's a frightfully bad show — Wasps launched their attack and Harlequins responded by playing with the heart of a Polo. This third phase demanded not the English but the Italian word for amateurs. *Dilettanti.*

Harlequins started the match impressively, coming back from a try down to score with a perfectly-worked move: a slashing break from Mensah and a high-speed maul, with Moore touching down. Challinor's try, which he converted himself, concluded 40 minutes of tightly-contested sport.

> 'Harlequins played as though they had no incentive to do well, no disincentive against playing poorly'

What went wrong? Wasps zoomed back into contention with a try from Hunter, and then came the dreary punch-up. Andrew was apparently trying to bite Coker on the ankle. There were half-a-dozen and more handbags aflap.

After the usual slaps and "peace-making" arm-locks, we discovered that Carling had gone off with a hamstring tweak and is expected to miss Saturday's match at Bristol. Carling does not shirk tackles; perhaps, had he known that most of his side would do exactly that, he would have stayed on.

You could see Moore, his England and Harlequin colleague, shifting from fury to disbelief. Is it for this that a man winds six yards of insulating tape around his head on a Saturday afternoon?

The Harlequins forwards had the better of things in the first half. Why did they lost all effectiveness? To concede one try directly from a lineout can be regarded as poor defending: to concede two looks like amateurishness.

So how good are Wasps? That is the mystery that remains. Proper attacking play is every bit as pragmatic as grudging, pusillanimous defence, provided that both are based on a solid game-plan.

It is hard to pick the stand-outs in the Wasps side but the centres, Hopley and Childs, will trouble better sides than Harlequins, who played as if they had no incentive to do well, no disincentive against playing poorly.

Rugby is not a life-and-death business, but if it is to be worth anything at all, it should matter just a tiny bit while it is being played.

This match was rugby union's London derby: the 15-man game's Arsenal v Spurs. What would the Arsenal fans say if Tony Adams and Co allowed Klinsmann to score seven times in the second half? What would they say in Wigan if St Helens did the same thing? Come to think of it, what do they say at Harlequins? Never mind, old boy, there's always the cup.

Ciao, dilettanti.

SCORERS: Harlequins: Tries: Moore, Challinor, Sheasby. Conversion: Challinor. Penalties: Challinor (3). Wasps: Tries: Hunter (2), Childs, Hopley, Dallaglio, Wilkins, Ryan, Greenstock (2). Conversions: Andrew (3). Penalty goal: Andrew. Dropped goal: Andrew.
HARLEQUINS: R Glenister; D O'Leary, W Carling, P Mensah, G Thompson; P Challinor, R Kilshin; J Leonard, B Moore, A Mullins, A Snow, W Davison, T Coker, M Pepper, C Sheasby. Carling replaced by K Bray (57min).
WASPS: J Ufton; S Hunter, G Childs, D Hopley, N Greenstock; R Andrew, S Bates, G Holmes, K Dunn, I Dunston, M Greenwood, N Hadley, L Dallaglio, C Wilkins, D Ryan.
Referee: M Bayliss (Gloucester).

Wales' lineout weaknesses take gloss off spirited win

Romania 9
Wales 16

FROM GERALD DAVIES IN BUCHAREST

THIS match proved, on a couple of counts, to be an uncomfortable experience for Wales. Perhaps the International Rugby Football Board should remember that only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday sun. Welshmen, or at any rate those who are extremely pale of skin, should not be asked — even if the kick-off is at 4pm — to play rugby in high temperatures.

Alan Davies, the Wales coach, said on Saturday — much as Jack Charlton had worried at the start of football's World Cup — that to play in temperatures approaching the 90s was "life-threatening". There was another concern. For Wales, this match contained two significant sets of figures of contrasting relevance.

The first was the result, which means that, should they now beat Italy, Wales will achieve their desire of playing in pool C in the World Cup finals in South Africa next June. But Wales triumphed against the background of another set of statistics which were more ominous. If they won the first two lineouts, by the cleanest and sweetest of possessions by Llewellyn and Collins; they were never able thereafter to secure possession in anything resembling so comfortable a fashion.

They ended the first half with figures of 14-7 against, and the second by 12-3. Losing the lineout by a ratio of almost three to one is no foundation upon which to build any high hopes for the more testing times ahead, and such losses are reminiscent of those dismal years between 1988 and 1991, when Australia and New Zealand were able to accumulate a half-century of points and more. The lineout remains Wales's Achilles' heel.

From the defensive dissaray of those years, Davies has organised a stiffened resistance and inspired if not an iron will, then at least an unbending one. This stood them in good stead here, especially in the second half when Wales had to spend most of their time defending.

On the other hand, with such an overwhelming advantage, Romania's inability to drive home the superiority of Cojocariu, Oriean and Brinza was exposed. The close, driving thrusts of the rest laid the foundations, in the French style, but Nichotean and Neaga, not trusting those outside them, preferred to kick for position. The momentum dissipated. Twice, when they did venture something different, Solomie nearly crowned the movement with a try, but was denied by the alertness of Ieuan Evans on the wing.

For Evans, there was an even greater moment to come. When the game was settling down to a kicking duel between the stand-off halves — Jenkins had missed two chances and Nithotean missed with one but succeeded with another — Evans scored a marvellous try, his 21st in international rugby.

Lewis broke from the scrum in the Welsh half, Moon breached the defence before passing to Evans, and the wing had to race beyond both Romania centres for the score. This gave him the Welsh try-scoring record, which had been shared for 16 years between this now pining writer and Gareth Edwards.

This, with the conversion,


Ieuan Evans: record try

pushed Wales more than a penalty goal ahead. But, after Evans had touched down, Racean was adjudged to have attempted to elbow him in the face. The game restarted with Jenkins successfully kicking a penalty goal from halfway.

Nichotean reduced the deficit with a penalty goal in injury time, adding another in the second half, but it was Jenkins who finally settled the issue with two more penalty goals.

SCORERS: Romania: Penalty goals: Nichotean (3). Wales: Try: I Evans. Conversion: N Jenkins. Penalty goals: N Jenkins (3).
ROMANIA: B Brici; L Colceriu, N Racean, N Fulina, G Solomie; N Nichotean, N Neaga; G Leonte, G Ion, G Vlad, T Onson, S Cojocariu, C Cojocariu, A Guranescu, T Brinza (captain). Leonte replaced by C Stan (70min); Brinza replaced by C Draguceanu (87).
WALES: M Rayer (Cardiff); I Evans (Llanelli, captain), M Hall (Cardiff), N Davies (Llanelli), W Proctor (Llanelli); N Jenkins (Pontypridd), R Moon (Llanelli); R Evans (Llanelli), G Jenkins (Swansea), J Davies (Neath), H Taylor (Cardiff), P Davies (Llanelli), G Llewellyn (Neath), R Collins (Pontypridd), E Lewis (Cardiff).
Referee: D McHugh (Ireland).

Gloucester stung into attacking display

Gloucester 48
West Hartlepool 12

BY JOHN HOPKINS

AS CITADELS go, Kingsholm is almost as much of a fortress as the Kremlin, which means fortress in Russian. Gloucester win 77.55 per cent of their home games, and not for a moment did they look as though this remarkable statistic was going to be worsened by West Hartlepool on Saturday.

Thousands turned out to see how Gloucester would react after their heaviest defeat — 45-8 by Wasps — in the Courage Clubs Championship the previous week. The answer must have satisfied even those sharp-tongued spectators who inhabit the Shed at Kingsholm. Gloucester, having conceded seven tries at Sudbury, scored seven tries at home as they achieved their second-highest league score.

Jack Rowell, the England manager, was left rubbing his eyes in bewilderment and pronounced himself "fairly perplexed" at the end of a game that had been more open, athletic and ambitious than one might have expected. This is Gloucester, after all.

Two key spells turned the game. The first was the opening 15 minutes. How would Gloucester begin after that *hammering in London?* "It's a very demanding stage, Kingsholm," Barrie Corless, Gloucester's director of rugby, said. "The crowd are very critical." He should know. It is whispered that some of the residents of the Shed refer to him as Clueless Corless. And these are his own team's supporters.

In the eventuality, Gloucester put the stings (and the arrows) of the previous week behind them. Despite fielding a No 8 and a stand-off who were playing in their first game, Gloucester were zestful in attack, scoring two tries in 14 minutes.

Gloucester were 22-12 ahead just after half-time, when the second important passage of play took place. Kevin Oliphant had kicked four penalties already for West Hartlepool and was given the chance to kick a fifth.


Rowell: perplexed

The game might have become a contest if Oliphant had been successful and closed the gap to seven points. But he could not and suddenly Gloucester were off, haring all over the field again. Mark Mapletoft kept bursting into the line, splintering Hartlepool's defence with electric acceleration and deceptive running. If he did not get past a tackler, then Simon Morris had a go and if he failed then it was left to Paul Holford. Between them, these three men scored six of Gloucester's seven tries.

Mapletoft, 22, playing in his fifth game for Gloucester and hundredth first-class game, showed good skills that had, hitherto, been seen only at Rugby, his former club. It was, as Rowell remarked later, "good to see him playing with good ball" because it underlined what an exciting player he is. Morris and Holford were not far behind.

West Hartlepool will endure a few long, thoughtful journeys back to the north of England if they cannot improve their lineout and present a more realistic all-round challenge. One wonders what Wasps could do to them, for example.

SCORERS: Gloucester: Tries: Holford (2), T Smith, Morris (3), Mapletoft. Conversions: Mapletoft (6). Penalty goals: Mapletoft. West Hartlepool: Penalty goals: Oliphant (4)
GLOUCESTER: M Mapletoft; P Holford, S Morris, B Masters, T Smith, M Kember, B Farley; P Jones, J Hawker, A Deacon, P Glanville, D Sims, R West, I Smith, C Raymond.
WEST HARTLEPOOL: K Oliphant; G Evans, A Elwine, P Hodder, D Cooke, J Stabler, J Wrigley, P New, S Neale; D Rusby, D Mitchell, K Westgarth, M Emmerson, A Brown, P Evans. Wrigley replaced by S Cook (7min).
Referee: C Rees (London)

Hull displays virtues

Bristol 44
Sale 22

BY BARRY TROWBRIDGE

THE England selectors may feel that injuries to Ian Hunter and David Pears forced their hand in entrusting the No 15 jersey to Paul Hull on the recent tour to South Africa, but, in the Courage Clubs Championship first division match at the Memorial Ground on Saturday, he showed that, without doubt, he is there by right and is good enough to be so for many games to come.

Numerically, he provided a try and two "assists" — scores by Gavin Sharp and, in the final minute, David John — but not once in attack did he make things easy for Sale by standing deep, while in defence he was assured with the high ball on the rare occasion that Paul Turner failed to find touch and was an omnipresent danger on the counter-attack.

Sunny days during the rugby season in Avon are rare; free-flowing back play, foreign to the West Country ethos, even rarer; yet, in front of a sparse crowd, the overall count of six tries could have easily been doubled, and only the upright, twice, denied Bristol a greater victory.

Continuing where he left off the previous Saturday against Bath, Andy Blackmore claimed lineout ball — it mattered not whose — with authority and at will, and Derek Eves showed that a fifth term of captaincy will not diminish his efforts for the cause; his try, three minutes from time, well deserved.

Kyran Bracken was as precocious as on his debut for England against New Zealand last autumn, and Dean Wring looked the perfect straight-running foil for Alastair Saverimutto, should Bristol's leading try-scorer from last season force his way back into the side.

After their narrow defeat by Harlequins in the opening round of league matches, Sale were praised for their contribution of open play. With Turner — left foot, right foot, you place it, he will kick it — at stand-off, it has to be that way. They will win a lot of friends; points may be harder to find.

SCORERS: Bristol: Tries: Regan, Hull, G Sharp, Eves, John. Conversions: Tainton (2). Penalty goals: Tainton (5). Sale: Try: Mallinder. Conversion: Turner. Penalty goals: Turner (4). Dropped goal: Turner.
BRISTOL: P Hull; D John, M Denney, D Wring, G Sharp; M Tainton, K Bracken; A Sharp, M Regan, D Hinkins, R Armstrong, S Shaw, A Blackmore, D Eves, I Patten.
SALE: J Mallinder; S Verbickas, J Beardsell, G Stocks, K Young; P Turner, C Saverimutto; M Whitcombe, S Diamond, A Smith, D Enlana, D Baldwin, D O'Grady, N Ashurst, C Vyvyan.
Referee: S Piercy (Yorkshire).

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'Given the opportunity, I can win another world championship'

Mansell driven by ambition to reclaim crown



Oliver Holt reports from Florida on a man determined to prove the obituarists for his career wrong

Someone killed a repo man in Tampa last week: shot him as he was backing a car out of a resident's driveway. The police let the gunman go and the cab driver could talk about little else. Sure, he had heard of Nigel Mansell, seen him opening stores now and again. Nice house he had too, down there by the ocean in the old part of town built before the second world war. Didn't know anything about his career being at a crossroads, though.

They try to drop you off at a funeral home sometimes when you ask for Mansell's mansion, something to do with confusion between the east and west ends of a long road. Mansell warns you about it so you are prepared. It is a relief when you find the real McCoy and the green gates swing open to reveal what looks like a Caribbean plantation house in its grounds.

Mansell is supposed to be going to seed here amid the palms and the lush grasses of Clearwater, Florida, slipping into an easy life of swimming pools, tennis courts, golf courses and humid afternoons as his IndyCar season collapses around him, his dominance of last year destroyed by the three cars of the Penske "dream team".

Mansell may be the last of the great triumvirate that included Alain Prost and Ayrton Senna, but the critics are preparing for the end of his career too. They say his return for Williams-Renault in the last three races of this season in Spain, Japan and Australia will be his swansong. Elements of the team favour the retention of Damon Hill and David Coulthard next season and Mansell will be surplus to requirements.

Despite the evidence of his guest appearance at the French Grand Prix in June, when he came within a whisker of pole position despite his 18-month absence in IndyCars and galvanised the Williams team towards a higher level of performance, his detractors said he was overweight and that, at 41, he could not cut it in Formula One, more than ever a young man's sport.

Mansell sees it differently. See Mansell, spend time with him, and you see it differently, too. You see a man whose fitness has been honed by the rediscovered discipline of karate, who diets, who adheres to a vigorous training regime. Within a couple of pounds, he weighs the same now as he did when he won the Formula One world championship two years ago.

You also see a racing driver still seething with ambition and frightening levels of determination. You see an egocentric man, too, but you see with absolute clarity that this is the single-mindedness and conviction Mansell needs. This is not a man resting on his laurels.

"In our business, you only stay at the top if you are highly motivated," he said. "When you have won regularly, when you have won two world championships and 35 serious races, you are not there to make the numbers up.

"When the day comes to retire, you will know it very quickly. I do not need to continue motor races. I have a tremendous rapport with the public and I do not need to motor race to keep that rapport. I have other skills which I can perfect, certain businesses I can throw myself into, like the golf course I have just bought at Woodbury Park, in Devon.

"I will not hang on in motor racing past my time and my time is while I am competing at the highest level. As I sit here talking to you, my motivation is knowing that I am still one of *the* best in the world. If some people want to believe I am overweight and unfit then let them do so, because it is pathetic. If that were true, why would there be all this manoeuvring to try to get me back.

"People forget too readily that Formula One was my whole life. Just because I have been away for the last two years, why should people say 'How can he come back?' I'll tell you how. Because I am the third most winning driver in the history of Formula One. There are three very significant names at the top of the list: Prost, Senna and myself. Where's the next one behind me? Jackie Stewart, I believe.

"Given the opportunity, the motivation, the encouragement, I can go on and win another Formula One world championship without batting an eye. I can beat Schumacher. I can beat anyone. Believe me, when you have won a world championship and you have won all those races you know how to get the job done."

He left his home an hour before dawn last Friday, made the short drive to the airport and boarded his private jet. He took the controls himself 20 minutes before the end of the 2½-hour flight, guided the plane through the clouds and fog shrouding Pennsylvania to Allentown Airport, near the state line with New Jersey. He was travelling to Nazareth International Speedway, out in the cornfields and the steel factories, a funny place for a career crossroads.

Mansell clinched the IndyCar world series here a year ago this weekend in the best way possible, driving a flawless race, full of breathtaking moves and touches of bravado and intimidation. His nearest rival, Emerson Fittipaldi, could only finish fifth and what made it sweeter was that this was his fourth victory on a one-mile oval, the type of track the experts had predicted would be his downfall, the type of track only a thoroughbred racer could master.

For a week, Mansell was Formula One world champion and IndyCar series champion simultaneously, the first and probably the only time that will ever happen. At the end of the season, he was named American racer of the year, eclipsing the more celebrated racers of the NASCAR series. This year, it is a different story. Al Unser Jr took his crown last week at Elkhart Lake and Mansell has only the goal of trying to prevent his first season without a win since 1987.

It has been a year full of mechanical failures and unhappy crashes, the most galling the one that happened at the Indianapolis 500, when a back marker lost control of his car and it landed on top of Mansell's in the pit lane.

He was third in Phoenix and second in Long Beach but those have been his only visits to the podium and there have been arguments with his team-mate, Mario Andretti, and with Fittipaldi. In two weeks, he will race at Laguna Seca, in California, and then turn his back on the series for good.

"There are a whole number of reasons why things have not worked out so well this year," he said. "We should not really have won the championship last year but when we did it was like a red rag to a bull to the Penske team and they took a bigger step forward than we did over the close season. It has been a bit of a distraction for our team having a total retirement year for Mario, too. You put a lot of things in the melting pot and you can see why it has not been as productive as it could have been.

"But I leave IndyCar racing very satisfied. I came across, I endured, I competed, I won. To win in a foreign land in a foreign formula on different tracks that I have never raced on was amazing. I hope IndyCar racing is richer for me having raced there for two years and it has been a nice coincidence that I was part of it when it took off."

Confidentiality clauses prevent Mansell from discussing his options for next year fully. IndyCar is out and be sure he is not ready to retire. Williams are the favourites to sign him but it may be some time before we know.

"I know what my plans are, but I can't say it to the world," he said. "It makes my situation very, very uncomfortable at times and the press manufacture stories that are 100 per cent bogus. The best thing I can do is keep a dignified silence, which I have tried to demonstrate for the last three or four months. That silence will have to continue for a long time to come, a significant time."

WHERE NEXT FOR MANSELL?

Ferrari: Outside chance. Biggest stumbling block is presence of Gerhard Berger and Jean Alesi, who both have contracts for next year.

Rothmans Williams RENAULT

Williams: Hot favourites. Mansell won the world championship with the team in 1992 and they have asked him back this season.

Lotus: Highly unlikely. Peter Collins, the team's managing director, said: "Nigel and I are friends, but we have no plans to work together."

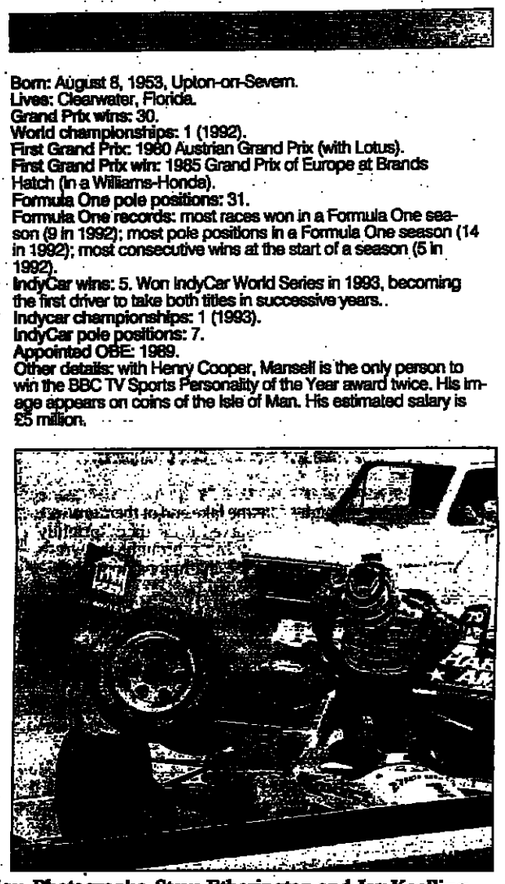
Benetton: Outside chance. If Schumacher leaves, Benetton and their new engine supplier, Renault, will be desperate to make a big-name signing.



JOHN TOWNSEND

Mansell the family man, at home in Clearwater, Florida. For all the achievements of his career, he is not yet ready to consider retiring





Good times, bad times: IndyCar success last year and disaster at Indianapolis in May. Photographs: Steve Etherington and Jay Koelling

Born: August 8, 1953, Upton-on-Severn.
Lives: Clearwater, Florida.
Grand Prix wins: 30.
World championships: 1 (1992).
First Grand Prix: 1980 Austrian Grand Prix (with Lotus).
First Grand Prix win: 1985 Grand Prix of Europe at Brands Hatch (in a Williams-Honda).
Formula One pole positions: 31.
Formula One records: most races won in a Formula One season (9 in 1992); most pole positions in a Formula One season (14 in 1992); most consecutive wins at the start of a season (5 in 1992).
IndyCar wins: 5. Won IndyCar World Series in 1993, becoming the first driver to take both titles in successive years..
Indycar championships: 1 (1993).
IndyCar pole positions: 7.
Appointed OBE: 1989.
Other details: with Henry Cooper, Mansell is the only person to win the BBC TV Sports Personality of the Year award twice. His image appears on coins of the Isle of Man. His estimated salary is £5 million.

Leicester cheer in this bore war

Orrell	0
Leicester	6

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

WHILE Edge Hall Road was a picture in the sunshine, the action was as gloomy as could be imagined. Surely, such afternoons of Indian summer are what running sides long for. The defence was crunching, the mauls fiercely contested, but the dry ball was a hot potato and any imagination became lost amid the frenzied perspiration.

The Leicester backs are hardly slouches, but behind a dominant scrum, Kardooni and Harris seemed blissfully unaware of that fact.

Despite Orrell's spoiling and plundering, Johnson's aerial challenge at the lineout was largely untroubled, so why on earth did the Tigers not bare their teeth in attack? Tony Russ, Leicester's director of rugby, lamented his side's lack of ambition. Not that the game plan appeared to have any horizon beyond that of scraping a difficult win. As ever, Richards was the stalwart performer as each back row cancelled the other out. Wherever there was any action, Richards was there, putting in the tackle, setting up possession and thundering away from the rucks.

All this, of course, was not to Back's liking, and the No 8 groped about in a perpetual fog. Orrell, too, operated in a daze. An ability to go into just about every ruck with the ball and lose it was merely compounded by the perfect imperfect of four missed penalty goals from four attempts by Ainscough and Langford.

When there nearly was a try to enjoy, it was appropriate that a hooker bolting down the left wing should nearly score it. Redmond, of Orrell, was felled short by Kilford. Harris caught the mood of frustration with his goal-kicking. Two from six was adequate, however.

SCORERS: Leicester: Penalty goals: Harris (2).

ORRELL: S Langford; J Naylor, I Wynn, P Johnson, A Healey; G Ainscough, D Morris; J Russell, T Redmond, J Cundick, P Manley, C Brierley, C Cooper, S Bibby, D Cleary. Cleary replaced by P Winstanley, 69min.

LEICESTER: W Kilford; S Hackney, D Edwards, S Potter, A McAdam; J Harris, A Kardooni; G Rowntree, R Cockerill, D Garforth, J Wells, M Johnson, M Poole, D Richards, N Back.

Referee: J Wallis (Somerset).

A new series examines whether the paying spectator gets value for money

Try, try, try again but no success from seat B30

Andrew Longmore seeks entertainment at the Stoop but takes a dim view of the facilities

It was a great game, the man on the radio said. A real old-fashioned frolic, full of invention, wit, strong running and desperate tackling, tons of tries, minimal defence, the type of game to warm old hearts and inspire young minds. I would not know. I was there. In Seat B30 of the makeshift stands on the east side of the Stoop Memorial Ground, to be precise.

Take it from me. Seat B30 is not one of the great natural eyries in world sport, not quite on a par with the top deck of the Lord's pavilion or the royal box end on the Centre Court. More like the sporting equivalent of the orchestra pit.

I might have seen at least one of the tries, I suppose, if I had stood on the plastic seat, removed the floodlight pylon and persuaded the 1,300 people between me and the action to duck. But, Wasps and Quins unsportingly insisted on playing most of the game in the one quarter of the field totally out of bounds for the occupant of seat B30. Out of sight, out of mind.

Long before half-time, the two young boys in the neighbouring seats had decided that "hunt the pencil" was a far better game than rugby union, for all their father's fervent commentary on the latter. I could not blame them. If either turn out to be the next Rob Andrew, it will have nothing to do with watching semi-obscured figures at the Stoop on windy Saturday afternoons, whatever their autobiographies might claim.

It was just my bad luck, of course. Had the wind been blowing the other way, I would have seen every moment, provided the linesman was a midget, the steward had sat down and the players obligingly stood on one side to assist the view. Perhaps that was what Quins were doing in the second half.

The steward did, however, have a point. He said, very politely, that had I arrived a little earlier than five minutes before kick-off, I would have got a seat higher up in the stand. But he charged me £2 just the same, on top of the £8 ground admission (£3 Under-16s and OAPs), which might be good value compared to the main stand at Chelsea or Spurs, but still infringes the time-honoured principle that you get what you pay for. At Quins, you get a seat for your £2 but no guarantee of being able to see any rugby from it.

What you can see quite clearly from every angle at the Stoop Memorial Ground, from the queues to the portaloos (capacity 5) and the Great British Bacon Sandwich Bar (bacon, mushroom and black pudding sandwich not available), from the apple tree end and the splendour of the main stand (capacity 405) and the Flowers Bar is how the other half live.

The palace of Twickenham, (capacity 55,000 and rising), ever magnificent, ever expanding, its fleet of cranes in constant attendance, obscures the horizon, blocks out the sun, like some brooding giant, and serves as a reminder, just as you were beginning to come to terms with the quaint rituals of an essentially amateur sport, to accept that if it rained you were going to get wet and that, with only two minutes for half-time, buying a coffee, going to the gents or watching the second half were mutually exclusive activities, that there is money to be made from the sport, that it need not necessarily be like this.



In time, some of the money, including the revenue from the new television deal, might filter down to Harlequins RFC and the primitive facilities at the Stoop. We are talking here not about gigantic, multi-purpose instant action television replay screens or any new-fangled nonsense. A decent-sized scoreboard, visible from every corner of the ground, would do nicely and, though Wasps did overstretch the abacus a bit, if the score on the board bore some resemblance to the score on the pitch it would be a bonus.

I gave up seat B30 for the second half and watched the tops of the players' heads instead from the banking near the apple tree and the beer tent. The Wasps' heads did better than the Quins' heads, which, by full-time, had dropped below the eye-level of most spectators. No one seemed to mind too much.

A host of children, dispatched with their fathers for the afternoon, frolicked on the perimeter. The air was more agricultural show than needle London derby, the game, like a television set in the corner, a flickering backdrop to a gentle afternoon in the great outdoors. Relatively cheap, easy access, no hint of trouble. Great deeds were greeted with polite applause. Quins' second-half surrender prompted solitary heckling. It was all very civilized. Perhaps club rugby is doing its best not to encourage the masses. Next season, if planners give permission, there will be a new stand on the east side and seat B30 will be no more. I, for one, will not mourn its passing.

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Dual Irish Leger winner begins quarantine for Melbourne Cup

Vintage Crop in splendid isolation

BY OUR IRISH RACING CORRESPONDENT

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Vintage Crop and Kinane (left) spreadeagle their rivals to land the Irish St Leger for the second year running at the Curragh

VINTAGE Crop was getting used to relative solitude last night, his reward for winning Saturday's Smurfit Irish St Leger at the Curragh.

Starting a two-week Irish quarantine with stable companion *Cliveden Gail*, and the fact that it is regarded almost as a matter of course, is one sign of how the Dermot Weld-trained gelding has contributed to the changing face of racing with that historic Melbourne Cup win last season.

Almost like the significance of the Dante Stakes to the Derby or the Craven to the Guineas, the Irish St Leger is *becoming* a recognised *trial* for a national institution 13,000 miles away.

The John Dunlop-trained My Patriarch, fourth in Saturday's Leger, is also in quarantine for Melbourne while Bob's Return, who finished fifth, has alternative targets in Canada and Japan but still holds the Melbourne entry.

Cliveden Gail, who was sixth, has yet to be confirmed a definite traveller despite keeping her stable companion company in quarantine. Weld and her owners are looking at the costs of sending her to Melbourne and a final decision will be taken mid-week, but standing above them all is Vintage Crop, the horse who started it off.

Saturday's Leger made earlier doubts that his Australian exertions last year had sapped his strength look ridiculous. If anything, the second Leger victory was more impressive than his first.

It had to be if he is to win in Melbourne again. Vintage Crop will have to carry 10lb more this year in the Cup on November 1 and the opposition this time looks better. The former Geoff Wragg-trained Jeune was impressive in Australia this weekend and River Verdon was similarly in top form in Hong Kong where he is champion. Throw in the even stronger European challenge and the 10lb extra takes on more significance.

Yet Weld yesterday exuded the quiet confidence that bemused the Australians on the run-up to last year's Cup. "It would be naive to think the quality of the race will be the same this year. Better horses are running in it and he has 10lb more to carry, but I am still reasonably hopeful. I have to be. Vintage Crop is a great ally to have. He has his little muscle problems and he has his off days, but the problems this year are not insurmountable," Weld said.

Now with the knowledge gained from last year, Vintage Crop has been put immediately into quarantine to give him an extra week to aclimatise once his two-week quarantine in Australia is finished. Weld has not forgotten how Vintage Crop came right only just in time last November. "Another week then and he would have been even better," Weld said.

Michael Kinane knows Vintage Crop at his best is formidable, just as Kithanga and company found out on Saturday. "He was not in the same condition at Royal Ascot when runner-up in the Gold Cup but he bounced back here. He did his job well," Kinane said.

My Patriarch's jockey, Walter Swinburn, was reasonably happy too. "The ground was a bit dead, but he has run a sound race," he said.

It may be that the Australian horses will find yet again that they cannot beat Vintage Crop in November.

Saturday was a memorable day all round for Weld and Kinane as Definite Article took the group one National Stakes. Weld, however, sees Definite Article developing into a nice three-year-old when the 2,000 Guineas will be a target.

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BIG-RACE RESULT

3.45 JEFFERSON SMURFIT MEMORIAL IRISH ST LEGER (£87,300: 1m 6f)
1. VINTAGE CROP (M J Kinane) 7-4 fav
2. Rayseka (J Murtagh) 14-1
3. Kithanga (J Reid) 9-2
8 ran. 3l, 2l. Trained by D Weld in Ireland. Tote £2.10; £1.10, £2.50, £2.10. DF: £14.60. CSF: £22.04

Salford gambles on innovative degree course

RICHARD EVANS



Racing commentary

Pay attention. The exam will last two hours; there is to be no talking. Write on one side of paper only. Pilkington, stop sniggering. No Stoute, you may not be excused for cricket nets...

To pass the theoretical part of your degree course, you must address each of the following three topics: In the Ladbroke (Ayr) Gold Cup staged on September 17, 1994, a low draw was considered essential by "experts". Daring Destiny, drawn 29 of 29 runners and not tipped by a single racing journalist, won having been backed during the week from 33-1 to 18-1. Discuss.

Ricketts, sit down... The second question is: The Prix de l'Arc de *Triomphe is won* only by exceptional British horses such as Mill Reef and Dancing Brave. This year, White Muzzle and Only Royale head the betting. Are they exceptional British horses? Does the ante-post market reflect the weakness of French runners? Or are British punters being conned by the bookmakers?

Lastly, and this question carries a ten per cent marks bonus: Eighty per cent of the nation enjoys a flutter every year, whether it be on the horses, the football pools or bingo. Gambling is a multi-billion pound industry which, directly and indirectly, employs a huge workforce, yet it is an area which has been all but ignored when it comes to academic research. Why?

The last question, if one may be serious for a moment, is probably the reason behind a small but significant snippet of news which emerged last week. The University of Salford is advertising a new chair in economics, which carries with it the directorship of a newly created centre for the study of gambling and commercial gaming.

Apart from publishing articles on economic aspects of *games of chance, the* new professor of gambling will design a course for inclusion in an undergraduate degree in economics with gambling studies.

Undergraduates will examine areas such as regulation of gambling, the rationality of gamblers, the statistical properties of newly invented games, the organisation of the industry, the environmental impact of casinos or racetracks, or the characteristics of gambling as a consumable service.

"It is intended that the newly created centre for the study of gambling and commercial gaming will develop into a repository for books and documentation, to act as a focus for scholars, throughout Europe," the job description states.

The new chair has been made possible by the generosity of a consortium consisting of Stanley Leisure, Grosvenor Club, Crockfords Club and City Clubs. Their rationale is similar, no doubt, to that of a group of construction companies who decided some years ago to sponsor studies at Salford into their industry. Despite the recession, the course has been a success with all students finding jobs after obtaining a degree.

Leaving aside the latest demonstration of the changing role of universities, the proposed course has important implications for racing. While graduates may find picking the Ayr Gold Cup winner as tough as the rest of us, their talents are likely to be in demand from an under-resourced British Horseracing Board, the Levy Board, bookmakers and racecourses.

In the meantime, the *"scholars"* theoretical course will be followed by a practical test. Name six horses which can be backed profitably before the end of the Flat season. If you wish, Stoute, you can give me your answer in confidence.

PONTEFRACT

THUNDERER

2.15 Mysterious Maid
2.45 Nazute
3.15 Fame Again
3.45 Jazeel
4.15 **AL WIDYAN** (nap)
4.45 Rival Bid
5.15 Prince Belfort

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 HEAVENS ABOVE.
Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.15 Al Widyan.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.15 DIAMOND SEAL WINDOWS PRO-AM LADIES HANDICAP
(£3,346: 1m 4f 8yds) (18 runners)

101 (8) 131201 MYSTERIOUS MAID 33 (D,F,G,S) (D Maden) J Pearce 7-11-0 Mrs L Pearce 95
102 (17) 000000 LYFORD CAY 2 (S) (D Gibbon) D Chapman 4-10-10 Miss R Clark (5) 87
103 (14) 121624 GOODBYE MILLIE 73 (V,C,D,F,G,S) (Uniscan Ltd) S Norton 4-10-6 Alex Greaves 94
104 (16) 600/605- NEVER SO BRAVE 429 (Mrs S Austin) Mrs S Austin 4-10-3 Mrs D Wilkinson (5) --
105 (18) 0-05230 ZAMHAREER 103 (D Batey) W Storey 3-10-1 Miss S Storey (5) 93
106 (9) 05-6200 CULRAIN 17 (A McDonald) M Meagher 3-10-0 Miss R Halden (5) 96
107 (1) 504431 MODEST HOPE 6 (J McMenamon) B Richmond 7-10-0 (5ex) Miss Diana Jones 97
108 (11) 14500-0 WHO'S THE BEST 33 (F) (Mrs A Jarvis) A Jarvis 4-9-13 Mrs E Burke (5) 90
109 (12) 00-0250 ZAAHEYAH 14 (The Zed Team) M Hammond 4-9-13 Mrs A Farrell 90
110 (7) 340413- IRON BARON 331J (CD,F,G,S) (Sueprk) Mrs V Aconley 5-9-13 Miss A Deniel (5) 89
111 (4) 2-30006 FAIR AND FANCY 21 (B Molloy) D Nicholls 3-9-13 Lorna Vincent 91
112 (5) 634166 STRAT'S LEGACY 26 (D,F,G) (J Blumenow) D Arbuthnot 7-9-11 Mrs D Arbuthnot 98
113 (3) 053626 ANN HILL 26 (CD,BF,F,G) (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 4-9-7 Miss J Southall (5) [top rating]
114 (15) /00010 GYMCRAK CYRANO 38 (N Chamberlain) N Chamberlain 5-9-6 Miss C Metcalfe (5) 97
115 (13) /22505/ TOP VILLAIN 1243 (F,G) (Mrs E Todd) J Dooler 8-9-4 Candy Morris (5) --
116 (6) 304120 BRONZE RUNNER 21 (B,D,F,G) (Austin Stroud) S Mellor 10-9-4 Dana Mellor 90
117 (10) 54/605-0 BALAAT 2J (F) (A Mann) M Chapman 6-9-3 Mrs S Bosley --
118 (2) 50000/ DJEBEL PRINCE 116J (Elite Thoroughbreds) C Egerton 7-9-3 Miss V Snowdon (5) --

BETTING: 9-2 Modest Hope, 5-1 Goodbye Millie, 6-1 Bronze Runner, Fair And Fancy, Iron Baron, 7-1 others.

1993: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

MYSTERIOUS MAID beat Ice Magic ¾l in 10-runner lady riders' handicap at Yarmouth (1m 6f, good). GOODBYE MILLIE neck 2nd of 4 to Sparky's Song in claimer at Haydock (1m 4f, good to firm) on penultimate start. ZAMHAREER 1¾l 3rd of 10 to Brandon Court in handicap at Sandown (1m 3f 91yd, good) on penultimate start. MODEST HOPE beat Field Of Stars short-head in 8-runner lady riders' handicap at Yarmouth (1m 3f 101yd, good to firm). FAIR AND FANCY about 4¼l 6th of 16 to Bowcliffe in handicap at Ripon (1m 2f, good to firm). STRAT'S LEGACY best recent effort, beat Spring To Glory 3l in 13-runner amateur riders' handicap at Chepstow (1m 4f, firm). GYMCRAK CYRANO beat Ice Magic ½l in 5-runner amateur riders' handicap at Ayr (1m 7f, good to soft) on penultimate start.
Selection: STRAT'S LEGACY

2.45 EBF POPPIN LANE MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,614: 6f) (14 runners)

201 (7) 3340 DARK SHOT 23 (M Schall) R Hannon 9-0 R Perham 95
202 (14) ESPARTERO (M Lanlanchi) M Prescott 9-0 W Woods --
203 (11) JAMEEL ASMAR (A Mubarak) C Egerton 9-0 C Rutter --
204 (9) 0235 JUNIOR BEN 54 (B Allen) J Berry 9-0 K Fallon 93
205 (4) KHATIM (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-0 R Hills --
206 (13) MR MACTAVISH (Mrs D MacRae) Mrs J Cecil 9-0 Paul Eddery --
207 (2) 023 NAZUTE 10 (M Pescod) R Charlton 9-0 M Fenton (3) [top rating]
208 (10) 04 RAISE THE STAKES 16 (J Smith) I Balding 9-0 T Ives 96
209 (6) VOILA PREMIERE (B Gaule) M Tompkins 9-0 S Whitworth --
210 (1) 0 DOMINION'S DREAM 82 (Mrs B Cumbert) B Smart 8-9 D Harrison 85
211 (5) 4 LEAP FOR JOY 17 (S Hata) J Gosden 8-9 A McGlone 90
212 (12) 0 REPONIST 20 (G Turnbull Ltd) M Camacho 8-9 N Connorton --
213 (8) SOUTH ROCK (B Farr) J Glover 8-9 Dean McKeown --
214 (3) 0 ZILAYAH 44 (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-9 P Robinson --

BETTING: 7-2 Leap For Joy, 4-1 Nazute, 5-1 Raise The Stakes, Khatim, 8-1 Junior Ben, Dark Shot, 12-1 others.

1993: NIZAAL 2-9-0 R Hills (5-4 fav) H Thomson Jones 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

DARK SHOT best effort this term when 3¾l 3rd of 12 to Pereire in maiden at Newmarket (6f, good). JUNIOR BEN about 7l 5th of 8 to Prince Of India in maiden at Goodwood (6f, good to firm). KHATIM (foaled Feb 10), half-brother by Topsider to 6f juvenile winner Alkanyh; dam 6f juvenile winner. MR MACTAVISH (Mar 14, cost 24,000gns), half-brother by Salse to winner in North America, dam poor North American maiden. NAZUTE head 2nd of 11 to Noble Kingdom in maiden at Newmarket (6f, good) on penultimate start, with DARK SHOT 7l 7th. RAISE THE STAKES 2¾l 4th of 11 to Inkaro in maiden at Haydock (7f, good). LEAP FOR JOY 4¼l 4th of 14 to Lynton Lad in maiden at Haydock (5f, good).
Selection: NAZUTE

3.15 PORTERS LODGE NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £4,078: 1m 4yds) (14 runners)

301 (11) 003 PANPIPES 24 (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) G Wragg 9-7 F Norton 85
302 (3) 614462 CAMICIA 14 (G) (Lord Howard de Walden) W Jarvis 9-4 A McGlone 89
303 (6) 652 GREEN'S WOOTTON 14 (BF) (R Green) M Bell 9-13 M Fenton (3) 89
304 (10) 225351 LOCHBROOM COMMANDO 13 (D,G) (D Waters) G Lewis 8-10 Paul Eddery 96
305 (12) 6553 SECRET SERVICE 44 (J Hanson) C Thornton 8-7 Dean McKeown 89
306 (1) 02202 KOMACA 2 (S Dinsmore) P Haslam 8-6 J Marshall (5) 97
307 (13) 3440 ROSA BONHEUR 24 (Mrs M Taylor) M Jarvis 8-5 P Robinson 89
308 (7) 44423 FAME AGAIN 12 (BF) (Mrs J Ramsden) Mrs J Ramsden 8-4 K Fallon 90
309 (8) 605 GLOSSATOR 21 (Marquesa de Moratalla) J FitzGerald 8-3 W Woods 83
310 (5) 0460 PERSISTENT 12 (J Pleder) M H Easterby 8-2 N Connorton 81
311 (4) 000 BATTLESHIP BRUCE 14 (T Foreman) N Callaghan 7-9 M Baird (7) 93
312 (14) 000 MAJOR SNUGFIT 101 (B) (A Greenwood) M W Easterby 7-8 C Hawksley (5) 89
313 (9) 0460 THE ASPECTO GIRL 9 (Aspecto Clothing Co Ltd) M Johnston 7-8 -- 89
314 (2) 554 HEAVENS ABOVE 16 (T Fawcett) M H Easterby 7-7 Darren Moffatt (5) [top rating]

Long handicap: Heavens Above 7-5.

BETTING: 3-1 Fame Again, 4-1 Camicia, 9-2 Panpipes, 5-1 Green's Wootton, 7-1 Persistent, 10-1 others.

1993: ARZ 2-8-13 R Hills (9-2) H Thomson Jones 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

PANPIPES neck and 1¾l 3rd of 10 to Dance Band in maiden at Newmarket (7f, good), with BATTLESHIP BRUCE (26lb better off) about 5¼l 8th. CAMICIA 1l 2nd of 4 to Time For Action in conditions race at Hamilton (1m 65yd, good). LOCHBROOM COMMANDO beat Courbaril 2½l in 12-runner nursery at Lingfield (AW, 1m). KOMACA 2l 2nd of 7 to Music Maker in maiden at Wolverhampton (AW, 1m 100yd). FAME AGAIN 3l and short-head 3rd of 15 to Naked Welcome in nursery at Doncaster (1m, good).
Selection: LOCHBROOM COMMANDO

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Millkom again

MILLKOM remains on course for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe after gaining his tenth straight victory in the group three £22,883 Prix du *Prince d'Orange (1m 2f)* at Longchamp yesterday.

Millkom took up the running a furlong out and held on by a head from Volochine.

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.45 DALBY SCREW-DRIVER RATED HANDICAP
(£9,551: 1m 2f 6yds) (8 runners)

401 (7) 100054 CALEMAN 23 (F) (M Berger) R Boss 5-9-7 A McGlone 93
402 (8) 500052 JAZEEL 18 (F) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 3-8-13 R Hills 97
403 (3) 215116 DESERT FIGHTER 33 (D,F,G) (Cheveley Park Stud) M Stoute 3-8-13 Paul Eddery 93
404 (6) 611300 LUNAR MISSION 31 (D,F,S) (R and S Partnership) J Eustace 3-8-6 M Fenton (3) 98
405 (5) 103 CAP O'RUSHES 72 (V,G) (A Bel Hab) J Fanshawe 3-8-6 W Woods 94
406 (4) 406332 RINGMASTER 17 (S) (D Fisher) M Tompkins 3-8-5 P Robinson [top rating]
407 (1) 2160 NORTHWARD HOE 30 (D,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Watts 3-8-3 K Fallon 92
408 (2) 4-11110 MAGIC JUNCTION 95 (G) (The Queen) Lord Huntingdon 3-8-1 D Harrison 92

BETTING: 5-2 Caleman, 7-2 Jazeel, 4-1 Desert Fighter, 5-1 Cap O'Rushes, Ringmaster, 6-1 Lunar Mission, 7-1 Magic Junction, 8-1 Northward Hoe.

1993: CEZANNE 4-8-7 W Ryan (7-2) M Stoute 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

CALEMAN about 2l 4th of 9 to Dabyah in handicap at Windsor (1m 67yd, good). JAZEEL 1l 2nd of 8 to Arctic Thunder in handicap at York (1m 4f, good). DESERT FIGHTER completed double, beat Beauman short-head in 9-runner handicap at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good) on penultimate start. LUNAR MISSION best recent effort when 1¾l 3rd of 11 to Persian Elite in handicap at Ascot (1m 2f, good to firm). CAP O'RUSHES 1l 3rd of 10 to Master Oftheouse in handicap at Chester (1m 2f 75yd, good to firm). RINGMASTER head 2nd of 15 to Access Adventurer in handicap at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good). NORTHWARD HOE about 2l 6th of 10 to He's A King in handicap at Leicester (1m 2f, good to firm) on penultimate start. MAGIC JUNCTION completed four-timer, beat Killing Time ½l at Wolverhampton (AW, 1m 100yd).
Selection: JAZEEL (nap)

4.15 FRIER WOOD CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,291: 1m 4yds) (5 runners)

501 (3) 031 TIME FOR ACTION 14 (D,G) (Mrs G Smith) M Tompkins 9-2 P Robinson 85
502 (5) 31 AL WIDYAN 16 (D,F) (Prince Faisal) H Cecil 9-0 A McGlone [top rating]
503 (2) 1603 WOT-IF-WE 6 (S) (B Merrick) T Mills 9-0 Paul Eddery 87
504 (4) 51 WARNING ORDER 17 (D,G) (I Cameron) J Dunlop 8-11 K Fallon 89
505 (1) 335604 LADY DAVENPORT 11 (G) (Haggswood Pms) R Thompson 8-6 M Fenton (3) 95

BETTING: 5-4 Al Widyan, 11-4 Time For Action, 4-1 Wot-If-We, 9-2 Lady Davenport, 7-1 Warning Order.

1993: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

TIME FOR ACTION beat Camicia 1l in 4-runner conditions race at Hamilton (1m 65yd, good). AL WIDYAN beat Beauchamp Jazz ¾l in 15-runner maiden at Thirsk (1m, good to firm). WOT-IF-WE 8l 3rd of 4 to Dreamer in conditions race at Sandown (1m, good to soft). WARNING ORDER beat Deano's Beeno 1¾l in 9-runner maiden auction at Haydock (1m, good). LADY DAVENPORT 4½l 4th to Prussian Flag at Doncaster (7f, good).
Selection: AL WIDYAN

4.45 NEW HALL LIMITED STAKES (£2,918: 1m 2f 6yds) (15 runners)

601 (12) 003610 TALENTED TING 3 (D,F,G) (M Wickens) P Haslam 5-9-8 Dean McKeown 93
602 (4) 222126 FLOATING LINE 19 (C,D,F,S) (G Lowe) P Wigham 6-9-6 M Wigham 80
603 (14) 634420 GILDERDALE 21 (D,F,G) (Abbot Racing Pnrs) J Hills 12-9-6 R Hills 93
604 (9) 00063-1 GOLDEN TORQUE 203 (D,F,G,S) (T Smith) R Bastiman 7-9-6 H Bastiman (5) 80
605 (7) 523301 RIVAL BID 19 (D,F,G) (D Allhani) M Jarvis 6-9-6 P Robinson [top rating]
606 (15) 034-004 JASPER ONE 51J (G Farndon) R Woodhouse 4-9-4 S Webworth 61
607 (2) 302260- TROOPING 254J (C,F) (Miss N Taylor) M Meagher 5-9-4 T Ives 90
608 (1) 164000 IRISH SENOR 61 (CD,G) (A Chidley) J Banks 3-9-0 L Newton (5) 98
609 (8) 102453 POSITIVO 37 (G) (Countess of Lonsdale) Lord Huntingdon 3-9-0 D Harrison 93
610 (10) 0-46 FAIRLEAD 13 (W Fox-Pitt) K McAuliffe 4-8-13 A McGlone 90
611 (3) 0/65-0 MY LINDIANNE 3J (B Sale) J Dooler 7-8-13 S Webster --
612 (11) 0550-0 DIVERTIMENTO 83 (Marquesa de Moratalla) J FitzGerald 3-8-12 W Woods 78
613 (13) 052633 IN A MOMENT 17 (V,G) (D Scott) S Norton 3-8-12 N Connorton 80
614 (5) 063020 BAHRAIN STAR 16 (V) (T Mills) T Mills 3-8-7 Paul Eddery 91
615 (6) 352553 TRES CHER 26 (B) (R Sangster) B Hills 3-8-7 K Fallon 93

BETTING: 5-1 Rival Bid, 6-1 Positivo, Talented Ting, 7-1 Trooping, Gilderdale, 8-1 Tres Cher, 12-1 others.

1993: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

TALENTED TING beat Calder King ¾l in 17-runner handicap at Hamilton (1m 60yd, good) on penultimate start. FLOATING LINE 2l 2nd of 11 to Miss Pin Up in handicap at Ripon (1m 4f 60yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. GILDERDALE 1¾l 2nd of 6 to Fieldridge in handicap at Bath (1m 3f 144yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. GOLDEN TORQUE beat Premier Dance 1l in 12-runner handicap at Wolverhampton (AW, 1m 4f). RIVAL BID beat Awesome Power 3¾l in 11-runner claimer at York (1m 1f, good to firm). POSITIVO 4l 3rd of 13 to Amiost in handicap at Nottingham (1m, good to firm). TRES CHER 1¼l and neck 3rd of 7 to Peanine Pink in rated stakes at Redcar (1m 2f, good to firm).
Selection: RIVAL BID

5.15 NEVISON HANDICAP (£3,314: 5f) (18 runners)

1 (6) 324140 FIRST OPTION 14 (CD,F,G,S) (A Eastman) R Bastiman 4-10-0 H Bastiman (5) 91
2 (13) 511100 MISS MOVIE WORLD 7 (D,F,S) (J Johnson) N Hammond 5-9-12 J Marshall (5) 95
3 (5) 206030 MANOR ADVENTURE 18 (D,G) (Mrs J Martin) P Dalton 4-9-9 A Procter (5) 96
4 (16) 412234 FOLLOWMEGIRLS 13 (CD,F,G) (Exors of late J Martin) Mrs A King 5-9-8 M Wigham 95
5 (19) 040405 PRINCE BELFORT 10 (B,D,F) (Mrs C Sykes) J Eyre 6-9-7 K Fallon 96
6 (18) 006000 SONDERISE 7 (B,D,G,S) (Mrs D Wright) N Tinkler 5-9-6 Kim Tinkler 89
7 (17) 116030 SEASIDE MINSTREL 3 (B,CD,F,G,S) (W Clifford) D Williams 6-9-5 D Griffiths (5) 98
8 (8) 053601 THE SHARP BIDDER 7 (G) (Mrs R Heathcote) R Hollinshead 4-9-4 (7ex) A Garth (5) [top rating]
9 (12) 40-0000 LIDA'S DELIGHT 67 (Parrington Leisure Park) M W Easterby 4-9-0 C Munday (7) 88
10 (2) 351050 BRIGHT PARAGON 18 (D,F,G,S) (D Cooper) H Collingridge 5-9-0 W Woods 97
11 (1) 010-006 GOOD FETCH 59 (D,F) (Elite Racing Club) C Egerton 3-8-13 C Rutter 90
12 (3) 465002 SOUPERFICIAL 17 (V,CD,F) (N Wilson) J Glover 3-8-12 P Robinson 97
13 (7) 240050 STEADFAST ELITE 4 (D,S) (J Clayton) J J O'Neill 3-8-9 M Birch 90
14 (10) 016000 ARC LAMP 16 (D,F,G) (B Bruce) J Glover 8-8-8 S D Williams 95
15 (9) 000050 LADY SHERIFF 54 (B,D,F) (E Mangan) M W Easterby 3-8-6 T Ives 88
16 (14) 55F000 KALAR 24 (B,D,F,G) (E Stockdale) D Chapman 5-8-5 Dean McKeown 92
17 (15) 150-000 MISS SIHAM 24 (D,F,G,S) (Ardsley Racing) J Balding 5-8-4 Claire Balding (7) 88
18 (11) 040450 CHADWELL HALL 27 (B) (Mrs C Owen) L Lloyd-James 3-8-2 M Deering 93

BETTING: 5-1 Followmegirls, 7-1 Prince Belfort, 8-1 The Sharp Bidder, Manor Adventure, Seaside Minstrel, 10-1 Bright Paragon, Steadfast Elite, 12-1 others.

1993: MILBANK CHALLENGER 3-8-12 S Maloney (14-1) M H Easterby 18 ran

FORM FOCUS

FIRST OPTION 3l 4th of 14 to Palo Blanco in handicap at Thirsk (5f, good) on penultimate start, with MISS SIHAM (1lb better off) 1½l 7th and KALAR 1l 9th. MISS MOVIE WORLD best recent effort when completing treble, beat Primula Bairn ½l in 9-runner handicap at Redcar (5f, good). MANOR ADVENTURE 1¾l and neck 3rd of 13 to Gondo in handicap at Chester (5f, good). FOLLOWMEGIRLS 1¾l 4th (later promoted to 3rd) of 13 to Join The Clan in handicap at Sandown (5f, good) on penultimate start, with BRIGHT PARAGON (3lb better off) about 1½l 6th (later promoted to 5th). PRINCE BELFORT about 3¾l 5th of 22 to Macfarlane in handicap at Doncaster (5f, good). SEASIDE MINSTREL 3l and neck 3rd of 18 to Whisome Wonder in handicap at Bath (5f 161yd, good). SOUPERFICIAL neck 2nd of 23 to Mu-Arrik in selling handicap at Haydock (6f, good), with STEADFAST ELITE (8lb better off) 12l 10th.
Selection: SOUPERFICIAL

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	16	35	45.7	D Griffiths	3	5	60.0
J Dunlop	8	20	40.0	A McGlone	4	19	21.1
Mrs J Cecil	4	15	26.7	K Fallon	17	131	13.0
W Jarvis	6	23	26.1	Alex Greaves	5	39	12.8
H Thomson Jones	7	28	25.0	N Connorton	8	69	11.6
Lord Huntingdon	5	22	22.7	Paul Eddery	6	53	11.3

Ayr's big meeting gets back on rails

BY JULIAN MUSCAT

HORSE racing has a vested interest in the success of the Ayr Western meeting, which culminated in the running of the Ladbroke (Ayr) Gold Cup on Saturday.

The race may not be what it once was, but therein lies the *significance* of what has always been the biggest racing festival north of the border.

So much in the sport has changed beyond recognition. It is not overblown to suggest that racing has assumed a new identity, its courses no longer perceived as the playground of the rich. However, as the sport is redefined, it is imperative that traditional meetings retain their primary appeal.

In its management structure, Ayr stands alone among British racecourses. The track is owned by the Western Meeting Club, the exclusive preserve of around 700 members which scrutinise new applicants in the ways of old. If such clubs have been largely consigned to the history books, only a large-scale committee reshuffle four years ago prevented the historic fixture from suffering a similar fate.

Even now, with Ivan Straker in the chair and Mark Kershaw installed as chief executive, the committee remains permeated by representatives of the local Ayrshire council who do, it must be said, have an influence on racing's development far beyond their experience of a changing sport. Yet progress has been made, and refreshingly so. The Western meeting, while far from replicating the halcyon days, is back on an upward curve.

One only has to enter the Western House at the corner of the paddock to envisage the prestige once bestowed upon the fixture. Its grand, imposing facade was erected, in *1920, to house the clerk of the* course. In some ways, it stands as a monument to the folly of the times; in others, it illustrates how much the fixture's gloss has dulled.

The recent sale of two plots of land — for close to £2 million — has helped finance part of the racecourse's renovation. If, to some, it retains an old-world charm, it is wholly at odds with the needs of the modern-day racegoer.

Nevertheless, to attend the Western meeting is to take a journey back in time. The centrepiece, the Gold Cup, remains a glorious spectacle.

The race may have been usurped by the advent of championship sprints, but the atmosphere — enhanced by the return of the Royal Scots Dragoons — is unmatched anywhere else in Britain.

For these reasons, and many more, the racing world should now spur on those who are putting the Western meeting back on the map.

NOTTINGHAM

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stakes
J Berry	115	104	98	3	-230.03
M Johnston	99	80	75	1	-21.43
R Hannon	96	111	109	4	-313.01
M Stoute	90	60	71	1	-11.90
J Gosden	79	60	54	4	-56.86
Mrs M Reveley	71	68	56	1	-88.56
M Channon	70	51	63	1	-99.38
J Dunlop	61	58	44	2	-81.35
P Cole	61	65	58	5	-92.83

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stakes
L Dettori	215	213	143	7	-102.32
J Weaver	168	131	116	0	+101.24
K Darley	127	108	98	7	-121.48
Pat Eddery	118	92	68	10	-59.13
T Quinn	103	99	98	7	-96.77
J Reid	88	76	68	9	-33.14
Paul Eddery	78	57	64	4	-152.07
M Hills	77	65	49	20	+15.15
J Carroll	74	42	62	8	-154.04
W Carson	73	65	70	2	-201.97
W R Swinburn	67	61	60	7	-20.29
M Roberts	62	80	82	7	-186.55

THUNDERER

2.00 Belfry. 2.30 Cabcharge Blue. 3.00 Admirals Realm. 3.30 Blue Ocean. 4.00 Night Edition. 4.30 Desert Green. 5.00 Tarthooth. 5.30 Nuremburg.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.30 Blue Ocean. 4.30 **SHEPTON MALLET** (nap).

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH BEST SIS

2.00 EBF NOTTINGHAM MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O colts and geldings: £3,969: 1m 54yd) (13 runners)

1 (5) 0 ARMSTON 14 J Wharton 8-11 J Williams --
2 (9) AS YOU LIKE IT J Gosden 8-11 G Hind --
3 (13) 03 BELFRY 21 R Charlton 8-11 Pat Eddery 96
4 (11) 60 CHERRINGTON 37 G Wragg 8-11 M Hills 89
5 (8) FLEMENSFIRTH J Gosden 8-11 L Dettori --
6 (12) IMLAK D Morley 8-11 M Tebbutt --
7 (10) 0 KEYS SEMINAR 23 N Callaghan 8-11 G Carter --
8 (1) 00 MAYSANN 13 J Dunlop 8-11 R Hughes --
9 (2) MUFAREJ R Armstrong 8-11 R Price --
10 (6) 00 MUFERR 78 L Cumani 8-11 C Hodgson (5) 92
11 (3) 2453 OAKBURY 13 R Hannon 8-11 M Roberts 95
12 (7) PEDRAZA H Cecil 8-11 W Ryan --
13 (4) 63 ZANJABEEL 16 M Stoute 8-11 W R Swinburn [top rating]

3-1 Oakbury, 4-1 As You Like It, 5-1 Belfry, Zanjabeel, 6-1 others.

2.30 COLWICK NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O fillies: £3,496: 6f 15yd) (21)

1 (9) 15 EQUILIBRIUM 30 (CD,F) J Hills 9-7 B Thomson 88
2 (21) 2601 CABCHARGE BLUE 11 (C,D,F,S) T Naughton 9-4 Pat Eddery 90
3 (7) 4540 BOLD PALMELLA 12 I Balding 9-3 L Dettori 92
4 (8) 1440 BOWDEN ROSE 9 (D,F) M Blanshard 9-3 T Sprake 90
5 (20) 2240 RUPERT'S PRINCESS 11 (S) M H-Ellis 9-3 S Davies (3) 94
6 (17) 3560 AL CORNICHE 7 (V,F) M Channon 9-2 R Hughes 94
7 (11) 1000 FAIRYBIRD 12 (B,F) R Hannon 9-0 W R Swinburn 93
8 (18) 3510 ALMASI 8 (D,G) C Wall 9-0 M Tebbutt 94
9 (2) 000 MISS FELIXSTOWE 16 Mrs M Reveley 8-13 T Quinn --
10 (19) 2303 DON'T LOOK NOW 21 J Scargill 8-12 M Roberts 88
11 (4) 1243 ANNIE FAY 7 (D,F) J Berry 8-10 G Carter 95
12 (12) 0300 LAWNSWOOD LADY 20 R Hollinshead 8-9 W Ryan [top rating]
13 (13) 0600 TARA COLLEEN 51 C Horgan 8-8 E Johnson 87
14 (3) 1333 MARIPOSA LILY 44 (V,D,BF,G) Lord Huntingdon 8-7 M Hills 96
15 (10) 316 RAINDEER QUEST 87 (F) C Smith 8-5 K Rutter (3) 80
16 (16) 000 BAKERS DAUGHTER 21 J Arnold 8-5 J Tate (3) 86
17 (1) 3300 SECOND CELLO 9 D Morris 8-4 J Fanning 98
18 (15) 0305 YOUNG ROSE 6 Pat Mitchell 8-4 A Clark 87
19 (5) 2015 JUST FIZZY 98 (D,G) J Wharton 8-2 R Mackay 89
20 (6) 0501 RED RIVER ROSE 14 (D,S) N Littmoden 8-1 N Carlisle 91
21 (14) 1033 TACHYCARDIA 24 (D,F) G Lewis 7-13 A Whelan (7) 91

8-1 Cabcharge Blue, 9-1 Don't Look Now, 10-1 Equilibrium, 12-1 others.

3.00 TERRY BELL MEMORIAL HANDICAP
(£4,079: 5f 13yd) (26)

1 (9) 0520 JUCEA 88 (D,F) J Spearing 5-9-13 R Painter (5) 92
2 (11) 6132 LITTLE SABOTEUR 14 (B,BF,F,G,S) P Makin 5-9-12 W R Swinburn 96
3 (4) 0/0- TAUBER 506 (C,D,F) Pat Mitchell 10-9-12 S O'Gorman --
4 (2) 06P HIGH HOLME 76 (D,G) D Thom 3-9-12 J Tate (3) 94
5 (20) 0030 SIR TASKER 10 (D,F,G,S) J L Harris 6-9-12 L Dettori 96
6 (8) 1250 SPEEDY CLASSIC 16 (D,F,G) M Heaton-Ellis 5-9-12 M Roberts [top rating]
7 (24) 3232 HICKORY BLUE 8 (B) J Glover 4-9-11 G Carter 92
8 (16) 6020 PRIMULA BAIRN 10 (V,D,G,S) Mrs J Ramsden 4-9-11 Stephen Davies (3) 97
9 (13) 0100 WINDRUSH BOY 7 (D,F) J Bosley 4-9-10 Aimee Cook (7) 92
10 (21) 4500 NO QUARTER GIVEN 14 (CD,F,G,S) P Felgate 9-9-7 G Hind 90
11 (18) 5300 JOHN O'DREAMS 7 (D,F,G,S) Mrs A King 9-9-6 D Griffiths (5) 96
12 (3) 3120 THE FED 7 (CD,BF,F) R Whitaker 4-9-4 M Hills 87
13 (10) 0020 KANGRA VALLEY 53 (D,S) J Wharton 3-9-3 J Williams 86
14 (7) 2210 JUDGEMENT CALL 23 (D,F,G) P Howling 7-9-3 N Carlisle 93
15 (6) 0336 ADMIRALS REALM 7 (D,F) B McMahon 5-9-2 T Quinn 96
16 (22) 0215 MOLIEBB 4 (D,BF,G) Pat Mitchell 4-9-1 NON-RUNNER
17 (5) 3550 TUTU SIXTYSIX 21 (V,D,F,G) E Incisa 3-8-13 Kim Tinkler 85
18 (14) 5660 MY LIFETIME LADY 7 (D,F,S) R Hollinshead 3-8-10 W Ryan 91
19 (25) 6040 SCORED AGAIN 4 (D,F) R Whitaker 4-8-8 A Clark 86
20 (26) 0000 DAANIERA 21 (B,D,G,S) P Howling 4-8-7 B Thomson 89
21 (15) 3540 AQUADO 7 (V,D,F) A Forbes 5-8-4 B Russell (5) 95
22 (17) 3650 FLORAC 17 (D,F) I Balding 4-8-2 G Bardwell 92
23 (12) 0506 LORINS GOLD 20 (B) A Turnell 4-8-1 N Adams 86
24 (23) 0640 MATTHEW DAVID 16 (B,D,G) S Bowring 4-7-12 J Fanning 93
25 (1) 0-09 LAC DE GRAS 147 R Curtis 3-7-10 A Mackay --
26 (19) 0090 GLENCROFT 24 (B,D,F,G,S) D Chapman 10-7-7 E Johnson 90

5-1 Primula Bairn, 6-1 Hickory Blue, 8-1 Speedy Classic, 10-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 27 winners from 71 runners, 38.0%; G Harwood, 6 from 18, 33.3%; J Gosden, 11 from 34, 32.4%; R Charlton, 10 from 32, 31.3%; L Cumani, 9 from 29, 31.0%; W Haggas, 4 from 14, 28.6%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 29 winners from 118 rides, 24.6%; L Dettori, 26 from 139, 18.7%; W R Swinburn, 14 from 91, 15.4%; T Quinn, 14 from 94, 14.9%; T Sprake, 6 from 41, 14.6%; W Ryan, 20 from 163, 12.3%.

3.30 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN STAKES
(Div I: 2-Y-O: £3,793: 6f 15yd) (15)

1 (5) BLUE OCEAN M Stoute 9-0 W R Swinburn --
2 (14) 6 BOLD GESTURE 23 J Gosden 9-0 G Hind 88
3 (8) 6 GRAND SELECTION 87 M Bell 9-0 J Fanning 85
4 (6) HENRY WESTON P Howling 9-0 W Newnes --
5 (7) INDRAPURA P Cole 9-0 T Quinn --
6 (15) ISM W Hern 9-0 Pat Eddery --
7 (12) MAGNIFICENT DEVIL J Watts 9-0 B Thomson --
8 (2) PENTRE FFYNNON J Berry 9-0 G Carter --
9 (3) 4 ROBIN ISLAND 90 R Hannon 9-0 L Dettori [top rating]
10 (1) 0 SHAHRANI 65 M Pipe 9-0 M Roberts --
11 (13) 0 SOCIAL REGISTER 31 H Thomson Jones 9-0 N Carlisle --
12 (11) 4 STYLISH WAYS 23 G Wragg 9-0 M Hills 89
13 (9) 0 TAFAHHUS 32 R Armstrong 9-0 R Price 80
14 (4) 5 BEBE POMME 80 Mrs W Macauley 8-9 N Adams 73
15 (10) 600 MERELY A MADAM 30 D Haydn Jones 8-9 A Mackay --

4-1 Blue Ocean, 5-1 Stylish Ways, 6-1 Bold Gesture, 7-1 Indrapura, 8-1 others.

4.00 BOLLINGER CHAMPAGNE CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP (Amateurs: £3,548: 1m 1f 213yd) (19)

1 (10) 0000 CLOUDED ELEGANCE 16 (V,F,G) I Balding 4-12-0 A Balding (4) 93
2 (5) 6200 TANDIA 32 (F) M Pipe 3-11-6 R White (4) 92
3 (3) 0903 ROSEATE LODGE 51 K Burke 8-11-4 S Astaire (4) 98
4 (12) 0468 SELF EXPRESSION 9 (D,F,G,S) Mrs J Ramsden 6-11-3 P Morrison (4) 95
5 (6) 3140 ESSAYEFFSEE 18 (D,F,G) Mrs M Reveley 5-10-12 E Babington (4) 90
6 (4) 2600 NIGHT EDITION 93 (D,G,S) S Dow 4-10-11 T Cuff 88
7 (14) 4024 PRESTON GUILD 25 (B,G,S) A Forbes 4-10-10 N Bradley (4) 98
8 (19) 0046 TUDOR FLIGHT 17 Lady Herries 8-10-10 P Pritchard-Gordon (4) [top rating]
9 (1) 0030 SAINT CIEL 86 (D,F,S) F Jordan 6-10-7 G Shenkin (4) 93
10 (16) 0-14 THRESHFIELD 83 (BF,F) B Curley 8-10-7 C Curley (4) 91
11 (15) 3630 PLINTH 33 (V,D,G) N Graham 3-10-4 G Johnson Houghton 93
12 (8) 2400 STOPROVERITATE 18 (G,S) Mrs M Reveley 5-10-4 M Naughton (4) 94
13 (2) 0P0 SILVER PEARL 84 M Pipe 3-9-12 M Burrows (4) 92
14 (8) 00-0 BODANTREE 16 C Broad 3-9-7 R Johnson (4) --
15 (17) 0-60 MELLERIO 11 R Curtis 4-9-7 K Santana (4) 85
16 (13) 6241 SWYNFORD FLYER 14 (F,G) J A Harris 5-9-7 C Bosner 90
17 (7) -300 KALOKAGATHOS 21 (B) Mrs S Williams 5-9-7 R Basett (4) 82
18 (11) 0-00 ONE-O-EIGHT 112 (B) P Cundell 4-9-7 V Lukaniuk (4) --
19 (19) 4000 STARLIGHT FLYER 8 (B,F,G,S) J Long 7-9-7 T Waters (4) 85

4-1 Self Expression, 5-1 Threshfield, 7-1 Essayeffsee, 8-1 others.

4.30 TRENT CONDITIONS STAKES
(£4,464: 1m 1f 213yd) (5)

1 (2) 3212 BLUE LION 9 (D,F,G) G Wragg 4-9-8 M Hills [top rating]
2 (5) 0436 COTTER CHIEF 9 (BF,F,S) M Pipe 5-9-8 Pat Eddery 90
3 (1) 0124 DESERT GREEN 32 (F) R Hannon 5-9-8 W R Swinburn 86
4 (4) 21-3 SHEPTON MALLET 143 (S) J Gosden 3-8-10 L Dettori 84
5 (3) 2840 BRIGHTSIDE 9 (B,G) P Cole 4-8-8 T Quinn 99

5-4 Shepton Mallet, 2-1 Blue Lion, 7-2 Desert Green, 5-1 others.

5.00 CARLTON HANDICAP (£3,574: 2m 9yd) (20)

1 (16) 6330 WHITE WILLOW 121 (G,S) Mrs M Reveley 5-10-8 G Parkin (7) 87
2 (2) 1160 MATCHING GREEN 9 (S) G Balding 5-9-9 J Williams 85
3 (5) 4041 HIGH FIVE 17 (B) H Candy 4-9-7 W Newnes 90
4 (17) 3244 THUNDERHEART 24 (D,BF,F) L Cumani 3-9-5 L Dettori 91
5 (4) 0/0 YENOORA 9 (D,F,G) P Cole 5-9-5 T Quinn --
6 (20) 5400 DURSHAN 26 (F,G) J Jenkins 5-9-5 Pat Eddery 91
7 (14) 1134 IBSEN 40 (D,F,G,S) R Akehurst 6-9-4 G Carter 90
8 (11) 2433 LA CHANCE 28 C Brittain 4-8-13 M Roberts 93
9 (8) 0314 CHARLIE BIGTIME 14 (F,G) Miss G Kelleway 4-8-12 A Mackay 88
10 (9) 3110 TARTHOOTH 31 (F,G) C Benstead 3-8-12 W R Swinburn 90
11 (18) /6 DR MACCARTER 32J (G) A Forbes 7-8-9 B Russell (5) --
12 (15) 0060 BITTER ALOE 7 G Harwood 5-8-7 A Clark 89
13 (6) 5222 FRUITFUL AFFAIR 11 (F) T Thomson Jones 5-8-6 Stephen Davies (3) 92
14 (1) 6060 SO SAUCY 2 (B,C,F,S) B Meehan 4-8-5 B Doyle 84
15 (7) 0410 DUSOFT STRAND 14 (B,G) J L Harris 3-7-12 A Tucker 81
16 (3) 0035 EASY D'OR 25 (C,F) M Bell 3-7-11 J Fanning 86
17 (19) 6244 TOMMY COOPER 47 Mrs B Waring 3-7-11 R Price 87
18 (12) 060 SATIN STARLET 13 C Wildman 3-7-10 N Adams 87
19 (10) -062 ALCIAN BLUE 168 R Hollinshead 3-7-8 N Carlisle [top rating]
20 (13) 0400 HARLESTONE FIRS 25 J Dunlop 3-7-8 G Bardwell 93

4-1 Thunderheart, 9-2 Ibsen, 5-1 High Five, 8-1 Matching Green, 10-1 others.

5.30 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN STAKES
(Div II: 2-Y-O: £3,793: 6f 15yd) (14)

1 (2) 00 BLASTED 91 R Hannon 9-0 L Dettori --
2 (7) 000 ELRAAS 87 J Dunlop 9-0 W Ryan --
3 (4) 00 FAIR ATTRACTION 28 A Hide 9-0 M Tebbutt --
4 (5) MISSING PARTS R Fahey 9-0 G Carter --
5 (8) MURAJJA P Walwyn 9-0 Pat Eddery --
6 (12) 06 NUREMBURG 61 C Brittain 9-0 M Roberts [top rating]
7 (9) 4 PRINCE PELLINORE 95 M Bell 9-0 J Fanning --
8 (13) RELENTLESS B McMahon 9-0 T Quinn --
9 (10) CHILI LASS J Wharton 8-9 J Williams --
10 (14) CROWN OF LOVE M Stoute 8-9 W R Swinburn --
11 (1) EMILY-MOU A Scott 8-9 J Tate (3) --
12 (3) 0 LELISE 13 A Jarvis 8-9 T Sprake --
13 (6) NUNNERY GROVE T Thomson Jones 8-9 Stephen Davies (3) --
14 (11) TRIPLE TRICKS W Haggas 8-9 M Hills --

4-1 Crown Of Love, 7-1 Emily-Mou, Nunnery Grove, Prince Pellinore, 10-1 others.

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Your guide to our sporting times

More than 20 million Britons participate in sport. **Alan Copps** introduces a page for the growing number of those who want to join in

There has never been a time when more people practised more sports. Over the past few decades, largely through television and newspaper coverage, thousands have been inspired to kick, throw, bowl and strike balls with bats, racquets, cues and sticks; to run round tracks, streets and across country. Others swim, sail, row and paddle in pools, rivers, lakes and the sea; a few drive round circuits and across continents and thousands more ride wherever a horse will go or cycle, often in places where many believed until recently a bicycle would never go.

Great campaigns have been mounted, some at public expense, some for commercial gain, to make the public aware of the importance of fitness. This has encouraged more millions to jog, dance, work-out, pump iron, climb or simply walk in an effort, not to top a league, win a cup or beat an opponent, but to improve their own health and well-being. The traditional country sports of hunting, shooting and fishing have at the same time experienced a boom in participation and a boost in technology.

Huge industries have been created to provide these millions with equipment. Their clothing has become daily wear from head to toe — the baseball cap, the sweatshirt, Lycra shorts and training shoes. This page is addressed to those millions and those who want to swell their numbers. It is a page about joining in for pleasure and not necessarily for gain, pain or supremacy.

We will cover big events in detail, from the point of view of the participant or would-be participant, examining training schedules and equipment. We will look from the player's angle at the team games which form an essential part of our national life, such as football, rugby and cricket. But we will also look at sports with smaller followings but which provide many thousands with recreation.

The emphasis will not always be on competition or on the great outdoors. Nobody would deny that mountain biking, aerobics or ten-pin bowling qualify as sport. The first definition given in the Shorter Oxford Dictionary is "pleasant pastime: amusement: diversion", so we will also include those activities such as hiking, swimming and riding which may for many be solitary pursuits. From time to time we will explore the frontiers of that dictionary definition taking a look at some of the odder, ancient country sports, weirder pub and indoor games and even the technological contests which provide so many with their amusement.

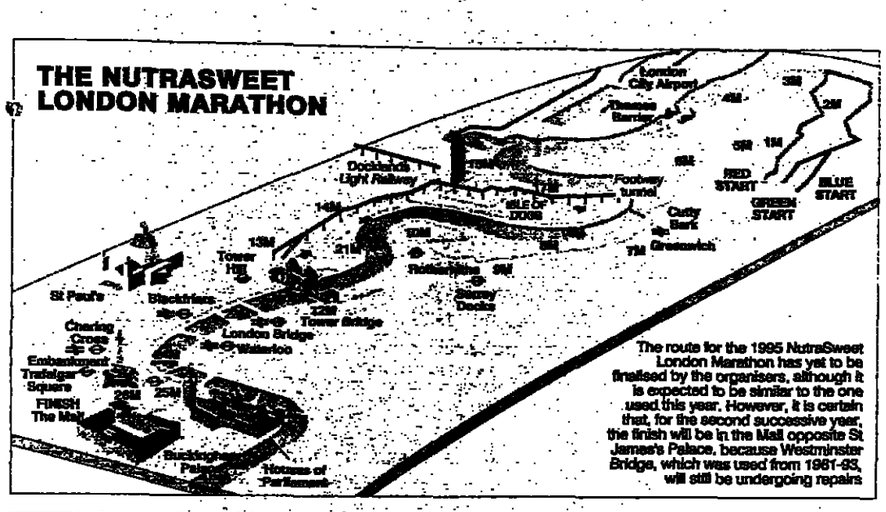
According to government estimates about 20 million people regularly participate in some sporting activity, although only 6.5 million belong to formal clubs and associations. Walking is by far the most popular activity (65 per cent of the population), followed by swimming (42 per cent), snooker/pool/billiards (22 per cent), keep-fit/yoga (19 per cent) and cycling (17 per cent). About four million people regularly play soccer.

But despite the upsurge in interest in sport of all kinds we are still regularly told, not least by government departments, that we are not fit enough as a nation. We will look at advances in sports medicine and at the latest theories on fitness and health. We will ask experts to test the latest equipment and to assess its value for the amateur. But chiefly we will provide information about how to enjoy sport of all kinds.

Over the past few decades increased participation has transformed events which were once the preserve of a few dogged obsessives into public displays of enthusiasm. That is why we begin by focusing on the Nutrasweet London Marathon, which with 25,000 finishers earlier this year, is perhaps the greatest annual demonstration of this trend which links the international professional to the determined masses.

Gradual training, says **John Goodbody**, is the marathon secret

Ready, steady, go!



The route for the 1995 NutraSweet London Marathon has yet to be finalised by the organisers, although it is expected to be similar to the one used this year. However, it is certain that, for the second successive year, the finish will be in the Mall opposite St James's Palace, because Westminster Bridge, which was used from 1981-93, will still be undergoing repairs

The long, steady weekly run is the basic training for completing a marathon. It is the session that gives you the stamina and confidence to complete the 26 miles 385 yards of the classic distance. It is the foundation of the week's training.

Eamonn Martin, who won the London Marathon in 1993, is no different. Every Sunday, he sets out from the athletics track in Basildon with a group of club-mates for the Langdon Hills above the Essex town. They include Lloyd Scott, who finished the Everest mountain marathon last year despite having suffered from leukaemia, for which he underwent a bone marrow transplant. Martin enjoys the camaraderie of the experience. Despite being Britain's most successful long-distance runner of the last decade, he still regards himself as "the greatest fun-runner in the world".

On the undulating surface of the Langdon Hills, on bridle paths and loose shale tracks, on the winding grass and sandy trails, he builds the necessary reserves for the race. He will run for 20 miles, building up to 24 miles about a month before the event. "It is so pleasant to be away from the traffic and off the roads. It makes you feel good. There is a fantastic feeling after the long run. You really feel you can eat and drink your fill afterwards."

However, Martin is quick to point out that it will take novice runners many months to build up to this kind of distance. He advises a gradual increase of mileage, although both he and Scott, who has run three London Marathons recommend that any novice should aim to cover at least 20 miles before the actual event.

However, this type of distance is several months away for the novice marathon runner. Martin says: "October is a good time to start from scratch. It gives a novice six months to build up to the event, training, say five times a week, including one long session."

It helps if you can run with someone else on the long outing. You can chat as the miles pass by. Martin says: "Sometimes, when my club-mates are away, I have to do those long sessions alone. I am really looking at my watch on those occasions!"

The natural trails of the wooded Langdon Hills, which he notes with a smile, are the highest point in the flat-lands of Essex, will test a runner on the uphill sections. "The change of pace comes quite naturally." He usually runs at six minute-per-mile pace, a minute-per-mile more slowly than in a race. "There is no need to go any faster. It is the actual number of miles that is important."

Inexperienced runners should always remember this advice: run easily and steadily. They will, of course, be going at a pace far slower than Martin and should find that they breathe heavily on uphill sections only.

Martin, like so many entrants in the London Marathon, runs for a charity — since the first event in 1981, £60 million is estimated to have been raised by the efforts of the streams of club and fun-runners. Scott has been regularly running for the Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust, for which he now works. It was this trust that found the donor whose bone marrow cured him of his leukaemia.

A former goalkeeper with Watford, Blackpool and Orient, Scott later became a fireman and, while saving two small boys from their burning home, inhaled some black smoke. He had to go for hospital tests and it was while these were being done that the leukaemia was discovered. To get fit for the transplant operation in 1989 he began running, and finished his first London Marathon in 3 hours 11 minutes.

Despite the operation, he has continued to run, even finishing the Reebok Everest Marathon, which he did with Andrew Burgess, his bone marrow donor, at a height of 17,000 ft, where the oxygen level is half that at ground level.

"Where I differ from many runners," Scott says, "is that I have to listen to my body particularly carefully now. Some weeks, I will run one day and then, the following day as a result of my illness and operation, I will be so sore that I cannot run. Sometimes I cannot run for three or four days. However, novices should also listen to their bodies. Don't overdo the exercise. Be careful."

Both Martin and Scott emphasise the importance of flexibility exercises before beginning to run. Stretching the tendons in your legs will help to prevent you from getting injured. "On the occasions I have not had time to do the exercises," says Martin, "I have really noticed the difference."

Both say they like to have new athletic ambitions as soon as one is achieved. But the real reason they run is because they enjoy it. As Charles Sorley, the poet, wrote: *"And we run because we like it, Through the broad, bright land."*

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Easy does it: Lloyd Scott, left, who conquered both leukaemia and the Everest Marathon, on a training run with Eamonn Martin

ENTRIES for the NutraSweet London Marathon, which takes place on April 2, 1995, will close on September 30. For entry forms telephone 0925 417744. Successful applicants will be informed during December. Do not forget: if you are ill or injured and have to withdraw, you will automatically have a place for 1996.

Here is a training schedule for a reasonably fit and active adult, keen to run next year's London Marathon. Anyone starting this type of training who has not been taking regular exercise should first get clearance from their doctor. The weekly sessions for the first month consist of four short runs and one longer run, all done at a gentle pace. Wear comfortable running shoes and keep warm.

Week one: two 25-minute runs; two 30-minute runs; one 35-minute run; two rest days.
Week two: two 25-minute runs; two 30-minute runs; one 35-minute run; two rest days.
Week three: one 25-minute run; one 30-minute run; two 35-minute runs; one 40-minute run; two rest days.
Week four: two 30-minute runs; two 35-minute runs; one 45-minute run; two rest days.

Ascot Festival can prove key to trainers' championship

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

THE Ascot Festival this Saturday is billed as the richest day's racing in Britain, but for Henry Cecil and Michael Stoute far more is at stake than the £800,000 prize-money on offer.

Since the mid-Seventies the two Newmarket trainers have dominated Flat racing in this country. While golfers or teams of footballers and cricketers occasionally manage to tower above their rivals for a four or five-year span, Cecil and Stoute have consistently kept ahead of the chasing pack. One or the other has been champion trainer on 13 occasions since 1976 and this Saturday takes on added importance because the sums of prize-money at stake are likely to dictate who comes out on top in 1994.

Although there is some disagreement as to whether the trainers' championship should be determined by win or win and place prize-money, the outcome of the two group one races, the £250,000 added Queen Elizabeth II Stakes and the £100,000 added Fillies' Mile, together with the group two £60,000 added Royal Lodge Stakes, hold the key to the title.

On paper at least, Cecil appears to have the stronger hand. Distant View, who broke the mile course record when winning the Sussex Stakes at Goodwood, has been a heavily-backed favourite for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. In addition, Eltish, 16-1 for next season's 2,000 Guineas, is likely to be the market leader for the Royal Lodge Stakes.

Distant View, the apple of Cecil's eye, delighted the Warren Place trainer in a workout on Saturday and the only concern is the possibility of heavy ground at Ascot. "He's in very good order. Obviously I don't mind if the ground is good to soft, but I don't want it to turn to heavy because you never know what is going to happen," he said yesterday.

Stoute does not have a runner in the feature race which he won three times in the Eighties, but he runs the improving Ela-Aristokrati against Eltish in the Royal Lodge Stakes. However, his strongest hand is reserved for the Fillies' Mile. Stoute has an exceptionally talented batch of two-year-old fillies this season, and after winning the Cherry Hinton Stakes with Red Carnival he is double-handed for Saturday's event.

Dance A Dream, runner-up in a good Newmarket maiden before opening her account at Leicester, deserves her chance but Pure Grain, impressive winner of the Prestige Stakes at Goodwood, is likely to be vying for favouritism. "She will not mind if the ground is on the soft side of good," Stoute said.

Stoute heads the trainers' table this season and his horses have earned about £250,000 more than those of Cecil, but he is all too aware of the importance of the Ascot Festival. "If Distant View and Eltish both win that will put the cat among the pigeons," he added.

While the Newmarket duo prepare to lock horns, John Dunlop still has an outside chance of winning the trainers' title for the first time. The Arundel handler divides Cecil and Stoute in earnings this season and Mehthaaf, the Irish 1,000 Guineas and Celebration Mile winner, has a sound chance in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, especially if the ground is soft.

Ian Balding confirmed yesterday that Stiletto Blade, his best two-year-old colt, will line up against Eltish at Ascot following his impressive debut at Kempton recently.

Meanwhile, the Kingsclere trainer is more hopeful that Lochsong will be ready for the Prix de l'Abbaye at Longchamp on Sunday week after recovering from a bout of coughing. "She had a little spin over four furlongs this morning and is on the way back. She did not cough this morning and I am guardedly hopeful she will make it to Paris. I hope the worst is over; she certainly looks in good nick," he said yesterday.

Nap: HIGH FIVE (5.00 Nottingham)
Next best: Shepton Mallet (4.30 Nottingham)

EDINBURGH

THUNDERER
2.20 Brodessa. 2.50 Hannah's Usher. 3.20 Tarn Lane. 3.50 Gymcrak Diamond. 4.20 Wendy's Way. 4.50 Starica.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.20 LINKS CLAIMING STAKES (£1,840: 1m 7f 16yd) (7 runners)

1 5331 BRODESSA 25 (CD,F) Mrs M Reveley 8-9-10 ..... K Darley 4
2 0521 GOLD SURPRISE 18 (F,C,S) S Kettlewell 5-9-5 ..... J Fortune 1
3 00-5 AYIA NAPA 25 Mrs S Boothume 7-9-0 ..... N Kinnon (7) 7
4 -040 BEAUMOOD 14 (V,C,F,6,5) E Alston 8-9-0 ..... J Quinn 3
5 3500 LORD ADVOCATE 52 (B,CD,F,5) D Nolan 6-9-0 N Varley (5) 6
6 0651 WILD ROSE OF YORK 2 (6,5) M Johnston 3-8-6 ..... J Weaver 2
7 0620 FUNNY ROSE 21J P Monteith 4-8-5 ..... C Teague (7) 5

5-4 Brodessa, 3-1 Gold Surprise, 4-1 Wild Rose Of York, 8-1 Beaumood, 12-1 Funny Rose, 16-1 Lord Advocate, Ayia Napa.

2.50 SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,337: 5f) (10)

1 0150 CURIE EXPRESS 23 (D,F) J Berry 9-7 ..... P Roberts (7) 6
2 9021 TOTAL STRANGER 20 (D,F) T Caldwell 9-7 ..... K Darley 9
3 003 JUST DISSIDENT 20 R Whitaley 9-5 ..... A Culhane 1
4 0021 HANNAH'S USHER 21 (CD,F,6) P Haslam 9-3 ..... J Weaver 10
5 4426 RYMER'S RASCAL 9 E Alston 9-1 ..... J Fortune 4
6 6130 MISTER WESTSOUND 27 (CD,F) Miss L Perratt 8-12 ..... T Williams 8
7 0031 DAILY STARSHINE 11 (B,D,S) J Berry 8-11 ..... J Carroll 7
8 U302 RED HOT RISK 45 (V,D,6) M Dods 8-9 ..... Dale Gibson 3
9 6001 ABLE SHERIFF 25 (B,CD,F) M W Easterby 8-8 ..... L Charnock 2
10 060 CHANCE ME 20 W Haggas 7-13 ..... J Quinn 5

5-1 Curie Express, 6-1 Total Stranger, Just Dissident, Daily Starshine, 7-1 Rymer's Rascal, Red Hot Risk, 8-1 others.

3.20 EBF RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £2,167: 5f) (9)

1 030 ABBEY HOUSE 11 (B) R Guest 8-11 ..... J Lowe 4
2 4490 ACHILL PRINCESS 9 W Kemp 8-11 ..... J Fortune 5
3 4520 CULSYTH LADY 58 (B) J Berry 8-11 ..... J Carroll 8
4 4590 FLOODLINE LADY 33 M Johnston 8-11 ..... J Weaver 2
5 0430 MADHATY 35 J Bethell 8-11 ..... T Williams 6
6 650 PATSY BRENNAN 47 R Boyce 8-11 ..... S Maloney 1
7 0658 RAMBORETTE 14 Denys Smith 8-11 ..... K Darley 9
8 5300 TAPPEN LADY 21 (B) J Wainwright 8-11 ..... A Culhane 7
9 2205 TARN LANE 11 R Whitaker 8-11 ..... J Quinn 3

7-2 Tarn Lane, 4-1 Floodline Lady, 8-2 Culsyth Lady, 5-1 Abbey House, 6-1 Ramborette, Tappen Lady, 7-1 Madhaty, 8-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Bell, 4 winners from 10 runners, 40.0%; S Kettlewell, 3 from 8, 37.5%; M Camacho, 5 from 15, 33.3%; P Haslam, 7 from 29, 24.1%; M Prescott, 11 from 46, 23.9%; R Guest, 3 from 13, 23.1%.
JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 26 winners from 86 rides, 30.2%; K Darley, 32 from 157, 20.4%; J Carroll, 31 from 152, 20.4%; J Quinn, 4 from 26, 15.4%; J Stack, 4 from 27, 14.8%; J Fortune, 10 from 76, 13.2%.

Blinkered first time

EDINBURGH: 3.20 Abbey House. 4.20 Master Upex, Posh. 4.50 Arscito, Quiet Mission. NOTTINGHAM: 2.30 Al Corniche, Fairyland. 4.00 Clouded Elegance, Kelokagathos, One-O-Eight. 4.30 Brightside. PONTEFRACT: 3.45 Cap O'Rushes. 5.15 Chadwell Hall, Sonderise.

3.50 EDINBURGH FESTIVAL MAIDEN HANDICAP (£2,358: 1m 4f 31yd) (15)

1 0365 JARROW 122 (D) S A Haughton 3-9-10 ..... J Fortune 4
2 2525 SHUTTLINGSLOW 21 (BF) M Bell 3-9-4 ..... J Weaver 13
3 5030 UNCLE DOUG 16 (D) M Reveley 3-9-2 ..... K Darley 2
4 -050 NORD LYS 21 F Lee 3-8-13 ..... R Lappin 11
5 5560 HIGH MIND 66 Mrs L Cassidy 5-8-10 ..... J Carroll 7
6 2500 STORM HEIGHTS 7 (B) M Britzen 3-8-9 ..... J Lowe 8
7 -430 GEMIKUSOV 45 P Beasley 4-8-9 ..... A Culhane 3
8 5-00 SUSPECT 35 (B) S Brotherton 4-8-7 ..... L Charnock 1
9 -000 LIAB 26 (B) J Parkes 4-8-6 ..... S Maloney 6
10 0024 MASURI KABSA 26 H Collingridge 3-8-5 ..... J Quinn 15
11 0003 PHILNIC 33 M Hammond 4-9-4 ..... T Williams 5
12 0460 BRIGADORE GOLD 26 F Lee 4-8-4 ..... D Wright (5) 10
13 0442 GYMCRAK DIAMOND 53 C Holmes 4-9-2 ..... Dale Gibson 12
14 007 FERRY SUN 151J (V) J Eyre 9-8-0 ..... N Varley (5) 14
15 -600 MILO 2 Mrs V Aconley 6-7-13 ..... C Teague (7) 9

5-1 Masuri Kabsa, 11-2 Gymcrak Diamond, 7-1 Nord Lys, 8-1 others.

4.20 PINKIE CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,893: 7f 15yd) (11)

1 1610 ROSE CHIME 21 (CD,F) M Johnston 9-0 ..... J Weaver 7
2 BARTON HEIGHTS Mrs M Reveley 8-12 ..... J Lowe 5
3 0 ROBELLINA 97 M Dods 8-12 ..... Dale Gibson 8
4 00 WEST FARM BOY 24 J Berry 8-12 ..... J Carroll 11
5 000 BRITER N TWISTED 4 (B) S Kettlewell 8-7 ..... J Fortune 9
6 0036 WENDY'S WAY 5 (G) J Berry 8-6 ..... K Darley 1
7 000 VINDALOO 16 M Johnston 8-4 ..... T Williams 10
8 00 MASTER UPEX 30 (B) Mrs A Swinbank 8-0 ..... D Wright (5) 2
9 4050 RICANA 25 W Kemp 7-13 ..... J Quinn 3
10 6500 PASH 24 (V) C W C Elsey 7-9 ..... N Kennedy 6
11 500 PINE SID LADY 14 J Eyre 7-9 ..... N Varley (5) 4

5-2 Rose Chime, 3-1 Barton Heights, 7-2 West Farm Boy, 6-1 others.

4.50 HONEST TOUN MAIDEN HANDICAP (£2,316: 7f 15yd) (16)

1 060 QUIET MISSION 30 (B) J Eyre 9-10-0 ..... M McAndrew 8
2 0500 ALABANG 16 M Camacho 3-9-10 ..... L Charnock 9
3 -560 ARECIBO 16 (B) M Johnston 3-9-6 ..... J Weaver 16
4 5-00 RUSSIA WITH LOVE 180 J Bethell 4-9-5 ..... T Williams 11
5 0025 BESCABY GIRL 44 (B) J Wainwright 3-9-4 ..... A Culhane 14
6 6400 KING CHESTNUT 21 M Dods 3-9-3 ..... J Fortune 7
7 6004 SIMPLY A SEQUEL 4 M Prescott 3-9-3 ..... J Lowe 2
8 0400 BLASTER BATES 14 (B) W Bycroft 3-9-2 ..... S Maloney 15
9 2005 MISS PIGALLE 15 (B) Miss L Perratt 3-8-12 ..... C Teague (7) 10
10 3030 PORTITE SOPHIE 23 M Brittain 3-9-12 ..... J Carroll 13
11 5300 BEE DEE BEST 25 Mrs L Perratt 3-8-11 ..... D Wright (5) 12
12 5-80 EASY FOR ME 22 C Thornton 3-8-10 ..... Dale Gibson 6
13 6663 STARICA 23 (B) C W C Elsey 3-8-9 ..... K Darley 5
14 5003 SWEETUTTLEMYSTERY 38 E Alston 3-8-8 ..... J Quinn 3
15 0530 UPPANCE 4 D Nolan 5-8-7 ..... N Varley (5) 1
16 07 SHARPI 1010 R McKellar 5-8-7 ..... R Havlin (7) 4

5-1 Alabang, 6-1 Simply A Sequel, Starica, 7-1 Miss Pigalle, 8-1 Bescaby Girl, Sweetiuttlemystery, 10-1 others.

No move for Weaver

JASON Weaver, second behind Frankie Dettori in this season's jockeys' championship, will remain stable jockey to Middleham trainer Mark Johnston next year.

Terry Norman, Weaver's agent, confirmed that the jockey had received offers from other trainers, but is likely to remain with Johnston. "Jason is still in negotiations with Mark but he is 99 per cent certain to stay with the yard. There have been interests from other trainers, but Jason is happy to stay where he is."

CYCLING

Obree strives to build on madison initiation

BY PETER BRYAN

GRAEME Obree has started to build a rounded professional career after the controversy which surrounded his disqualification from the defence last month of his 1993 world pursuit cycling title.

It was a back-to-basics session for the Scottish time-trial specialist and one-hour record-holder at the weekend before he is catapulted into the rough and tumble of the winter six-day track racing circuit when careers can be ended by a rider's split-second loss of concentration.

Obree, cheered by the prospect of a two-year contract with the new French team, Groupement, and the opportunity to ride in the Bordeaux "six" next month, acknowledges that he is lacking international experience on small indoor tracks when it can be shoulder to shoulder at 35mph. On a cold Saturday evening, he received his initiation into madison racing, the core of six-day events.

He chose the British 80km championship at Herne Hill, where two riders relay each other into the fray whenever they wish. Although Obree had not ridden a madison before, he was a willing partner to Spencer Wingrave, the 1993 winner with Tony Doyle.

The Obree-Wingrave combination scored a modest eight points to finish in fourth place in a race that was dominated by the Barcelona Olympic games duo of Bryan Steel and Robert Hayles.

For the first 60 laps the pair put so much pressure on their rivals that they were assured of victory, barring accidents. And so it proved, the combination being followed home by Chris Boardman's club colleagues, Simon Lillistone and Paul Jennings.

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FOR THE RECORD

AUSTRALIAN RULES

MELBOURNE: AFL Semi-finals: Geelong 15.15 (105) bt Carlton 10.12 (72). Melbourne 21.18 (144) bt Footscray 9 11 (65)

ATHLETICS

BEDFORD: Guardian Gold Cup: Final (winners): Men: 100m: J Golding (Blackheath) 10.34 sec. 200m: Golding 20.73 sec. 400m: D McKenzie (Shaftesbury Barnet) 46.43. 800m: E Calvert (Thames Valley) 1min 56.76sec. 1,500m: M Hibberd (Thames Valley) 3min 55.50sec. 3,000m steeplechase: D Lee (Blackheath) 8min 54.97sec. 5,000m: K Tadessa (Belgrave) 14min 32.69sec. 10,000m: J Hamson (Blackheath) 29min 47.11sec. 110m hurdles: M Nicholson (Birchfield) 14.22sec. 400m hurdles: G Telfer (Thames Valley) 52.14sec. High jump: F Salle (Belgrave) 2.00m. Pole vault: N Winter (Shaftesbury Barnet) 5.40m. Long jump: J Munroe (Thames Valley) 7.48m. Triple jump: F Agyepong (Shaftesbury Barnet) 16.20m. Shot: L Newman (Blackheath) 17.01m. Discus: R Weir (Birchfield) 57.40m. Hammer: P Vivian (Thames Valley) 67.78m. Javelin: N Bevan (Belgrave) 77.94m. 4 x 100m relay: Belgrave Harriers 41.17sec. 4 x 400m relay: Thames Valley Harriers 3min 15.11sec. Team result: 1, Thames Valley Harriers 133pts. 2, Shaftesbury Barnet 113. 3, Birchfield 108. 4, Belgrave 106. 5, Blackheath 104. 6, Woodford Green 95. 7, Windsor, Slough and Eton 54. Women: 100m: A Hansen (Essex Ladies) 11.81sec. 200m: C Murphy (Shaftesbury Barnet) 23.83 secs. 400m: P Smith (Sale) 52.90sec. 800m: P Fryer (Sale) 2min 10.32sec. 3,000m: S Barbour (Birchfield) 9min 37.54sec. 100m hurdles: J Agyepong (Shaftesbury Barnet) 13.22sec. 400m hurdles: H Myers (Aldershot, Farnham and District) 61.08sec. High jump: F Thirkle (Sale) 1.65m. Long jump: I Dowu 6.33m. Triple jump: A Hansen (Essex Ladies) 14.09m (Commonwealth & UK record). Javelin: L Burrell (Coventry Godiva) 49.68m. Shot: S Andrews (Essex ladies) 14.97m. Discus: D Callaway (Aldershot, Farnham and District) 55.24m. 4 x 100 relay: Shaftesbury Barnet 46.06sec. 4 x 400m relay: Sale 3min 44.78sec. Team result: 1, Essex Ladies 100; 2, Sale 96; 3, Shaftesbury Barnet 80; 4, Coventry Godiva 76; 5, Birchfield 74.5; 6, Edinburgh Woollen Mills 74.5; 7, Aldershot, Farnham and District 63; 8, Cardiff 25.

NEWCASTLE: BUPA Great North Run (half-marathon): Men: 1, B Masya (Kenya) 1hr 0min 2sec. 2, M Tanui (Ken) 1 00 3. 3, P Tergat (Ken) 1.00 42. 4, P Evans (Belgrave) 1 01 30; 5, B Lahlah (Mor) 1 01.39; 6, B Royden (Medway) 1 02.25; 7, R Denmark (Basildon) 1:02:37; 8, O Strizhakov (Russ) 1:02.42; 9, J Treacy (Ire) 1:02.44; 10, M Jones (Horwich) 1:03:05. Women: 1, R Munerotto (It) 1 11 29. 2, A Wallace (Torbay) 1:11 34. 3, M Machado (Por) 1:11:48; 4, S Rigg (Warrington) 1:13:47; 5, B Sabetini (It) 1:13.57; 6, L Subano (Ken) 1 14.28; 7, C Horne (Crawley) 1:14.55; 8, A Wright (Bridge North) 1:16:18; 9, J Spark (Altringham) 1.16.48; 10, T Thomson (Pitreavie) 1 17 35.

THAMES HARE AND HOUNDS FIVE-MILE CHALLENGE: 1, J Watson 28min 28sec. 2, M Bryant 28 59. 3, A Thomas 29-09. Handicap: R Wilkins 39-38.

BADMINTON

BELFAST: Friends Provident Grand Slam (England unless stated): Men: Singles: Semi-finals: D Hall bt C Haughton 15-10, 15-12; A Bush bt R Mistri 15-5, 15-3. Doubles: Semi-finals: S Archer and C Hunt bt N Cottrill and J Quin 15-4, 15-7; M Adams and D Wright bt M Brown and R Rofe 15-9, 15-8. Women: Singles: Semi-finals: S Louis-Lane bt R Pantaney 11-2, 11-0; J Mann bt W Taylor 11-6, 11-1. Doubles: Semi-finals: J Bradbury and J Wright bt S Hardaker and R Pantaney 15-9, 15-8; E Chalfin and T Groves bt J Davies and E Allen (Scot) 5-15, 15-10, 15-10. Mixed doubles: Semi-finals: J Quin and J Wright bt C Hunt and S Hardaker 15-7, 15-6; S Archer and J Bradbury bt K Middlemiss and E Allen (Scot) 5-15, 15-10, 15-10

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Sunderland 72 Sheffield 87. Hemel 52 London 67; Worthing 96 Chester 82. Leicester 66 Doncaster 89. Derby 94 Thames Valley 117.

BOXING

LAS VEGAS: World Boxing Council light-welterweight championship: Julio Cesar Chavez (Mex) bt Meldick Taylor (US) rsc 8th rnd. International Boxing Federation junior-middleweight championship: Vincent Pettway (US) bt Gianfranco Rosi (It, holder) ko 4th rnd. World Boxing Association junior-welter championship: Frankie Randall (US) bt Juan Martin Coggi (Arg, holder) pts. World Boxing Council strawweight championship: Ricardo Lopez (Mex, holder) bt Yodsing au Saengmorokot (Thai) rsc 1st rnd. World Boxing Council super-featherweight championship: Gabriel Ruelas (US) bt James Leija (US, holder) pts. International Boxing Federation welterweight championship: Felix Trinidad (P Rico, holder) bt Luis Ramon Campas (Mex) rsc 4th rnd.

TOKYO: World Boxing Association junior bantamweight championship: Lee Hyung-Chul (S Kor) bt Katsuya Onizuka (Japan, holder) rsc 9th rnd.

AALBORG, Denmark: International Boxing Council world light-heavyweight championship (vacant): Ole Klemtsen (Nor) bt Rick Gannon (US) rsc 2nd rnd.

BANGKOK: World Boxing Federation junior bantamweight championship (vacant): Samson Elitegym (Thai) bt Colin Nelson (Aus) rsc 3rd rnd

ISTANBUL: Under-19 world amateur championship: 48kg: Gold: J Trunen (Fin) Silver: A Zarritzu (It) Bronze: M Makhinin (Russ) and I Dachev (Uzb). 51kg: A Jimenez (Cuba) Silver: G Gaiderbekov (Russ). Bronze: J Vega (US) and I Mavavli (Rom) 54kg: J Despaigne (Cuba) Silver: T Vazdea (Rom) Bronze: A Ercin (Tur) and A Cuzdi (Kaz) 57kg: Gold: S Dorel (Rom) Silver: T Churchwell (US). Bronze: V Smirnov (Russ) and D Stilianov (Bul). 60kg: Gold: L Diogenes (Cuba). Silver: D Pavliuchenko (Russ). Bronze: A Schiemann (Ger) and T Kalimor (Kaz) 63.5kg: Gold: V Romero (Cuba). Silver: R Ogurnan (Ukr) Bronze: B Kander (Russ) and I Cecheubaev (Kaz) 67kg: Gold: E Aslan (Tur) Silver: R Muiradis (Cuba) Bronze: D Muneitbasov (Kaz) and J Rosenkewicz (Ger) 71kg: Gold: G Ledsvanys (Cuba). Silver: S Bonsenko (Belo) Bronze: A Balandov (Russ) and I Tiashadze (Geo). 75kg: Gold: M Genc (Tur) Silver: I Akaev (Russ) Bronze: B Gibert (Can) and A Campaneon (Cuba). 81kg: Gold: P Aurino (It) Silver: S Dvikov (Belo). Bronze: H Yosvany (Cuba) and R Zumaer (Kaz). 91kg: M Lopez (Cuba). Silver: V Klichko (Ukr). Bronze: J Cruz (US) and A Kambarov (Russ). +91kg: Gold: P Camon (Cuba). Silver: A Mossev (Russ) Bronze: H Tahiata (Fr) and V Savescu (Rom).

BOWLS

JORDANSTOWN: Under-25 Mens' International Series: Scotland bt Wales 126-123 (Scotland skips first) S Scott bt E Thomas 23-19; C McNeill lost to A Fleming 22-25; C Mitchell lost to D Kingdon 18-17; S Dodds bt A Price 20-18; I Sneddon bt J Britton 28-21; D Burnett lost to N Collett 17-23. Ireland bt England 116-97 (Ireland skips first) C McHugh bt L Miller 18-11, A Hughes lost to I Jenkins 13-20; W Keys lost to N Jones 16-24; C Dennison bt M Read 22-18, A Whisker bt L Prince 18-13, G Clarke bt N Hamson 29-11. Wales bt Ireland 129-114 (Wales skips first) Kingdon lost to Dennison 14-29, Price lost to Keys 11-20, Britton drew Whisker 25-25, Collett bt Clarke 33-9, Thomas bt McHugh 26-14, Fleming drew Hughes 20-20. England beat Scotland 120-118 (England skips first) Jones lost to Mitchell 16-22; Read lost to Dodds 12-23, Prince bt Sneddon 17-13, Hamson bt Burnett 22-17; Miller bt Scott 29-27; Jenkins bt McNeill 24-16. Ireland beat Scotland 121-104 (Ireland skips first) Whisker lost to Sneddon 12-20. Clarke bt Burnett 28-10; McHugh lost to Scott 15-22; Hughes bt McNeill 21-20, Dennison bt Mitchell 16-13; Keys bt Dodds 29-19. Wales beat England 119-109 (Wales skips first) Britton bt Prince 23-22; Collett drew Hamson 20-20; Thomas bt Miller 18-15; Fleming bt Jenkins 23-14; Kingdon lost to Jones 15-23, Price bt Read 21-15. Final standings: 1, Wales won 2, lost 1 (+22 shots); 2, Ireland won 2, lost 1 (+21 shots). 3, Scotland won 1, lost 2 (-16 shots); 4, England won 1, lost 2 (-27 shots).

COUNTY BOWLS: Hampshire 131 Oxfordshire 92: Nottinghamshire 141 Herefordshire 88.

CANOEING

NAGOYA, Japan: Slalom World Cup: Final standings: Men: Kayak: Singles: 1, S Pearce (GB). 2, I Raspin (GB); 3, S Shipley (US). Women: Kayak: Singles: 1, L Simpson (GB); 2, R Crosbee (GB); 3, K Striepecke (GB). Canadian: Singles: 1 G Marriott (GB), 2 L Pollert (Cz), 3 D Hercog (Cro)

CYCLING

BUXTON: JEF Tour of the Peak (90m): 1, S Hempsall (Choice Accountancy) 3hr 49min 17sec; 2, J Wright (North East RT) at 4 02; 3, N Hoban (Foremost-Kammor) at 4:57; 4, P Curran (Optimum Performance RT) at 5:01; 5, M Lovatt (Optimum Performance RT) at 6.15; 6, J Tanner (Choice Accountancy) at 6:56. Final overall placings in BCF Premier Calendar series: 1, Tanner 333pts; 2, Hempsall 310; 3, C Lillywhite (Foremost-Kammor) 293

ROME: Latium tour (206km). First day: 1, M Fondriest (It) 5hr 34min 1sec; 2, M Scandri (It); 3, A Lecchi (It); 4, G Bortolami (It), 5, D Konychev (Russ); 6, S Colage (It); 7, M Bartoli (It) all at same time

VAIL, Colorado: World Mountain Bike Championships: Cross-country finals: Men: 1, H Djernis (Den) 2hr 33min 57sec; 2, D Tinker Juarez (US) at 37sec; 3, B Brentjens (Hol) at 3:34; 4, D Pontoni (It) at 3:59; 5, D Bruschi (It) at 4:30; 6, P Willerton (US) at 5:05, 7, L Kristensen (Den) at 5:38, 8, M Rasmussen (Den) at 6:18; 9, J-C Savignoni (Fr) at 5:21; 10, J Brenes (C Rica) at 6:25. Women (35.97km): 1, A Sydor (Can) 2hr 12min 7.08sec; 2, S DeMattei (US) at 3min 19.47sec; 3, S Ballantyne (US) at 3:45.06, 4, J Longo (Fr) at 4:25.36; 5, R Matthes (US) at 5:14 13; 6, J Furtado (US) at 5 47 23; 7, M Paola (It) at 5.55.15; 8, E Orvosova (Slovakia) at 6:29.51, 9, J Smith (Can) at 7:02.85, 10, C Alexander (GB) at 7 35 56.

GOLF

GAINESVILLE, Virginia: President's Cup: Foursomes: D Frost (SA) and P Senior (Aus) bt H Irwin and J Haas (US) 6 and 5; C Pavin and L Roberts (US) bt C Parry (Aus) and F Allem (SA) 1 up; V Singh (Fiji) and S Elkington (Aus) bt J Maggert and J Huston (US) 3 and 2; F Nobilo (NZ) and R Allenby (Aus) bt D Love and J Gallagher (US) 7 and 5; P Mickelson and T Lehman (US) bt B Hughes (Aus) and M McNulty (Zim) 3 and 2. Four-balls: F Allem (SA) and M McNulty (Zim) bt J Gallagher and J Huston (US) 4 and 3; T Wantanabe (Jpn) and V Singh (Fiji) bt Jay Haas and S Hoch (USA) 3 and 1; C Parry and B Hughes (Aus) bt L Roberts and T Lehman (US) 4 and 3; D Love and F Couples (US) bt F Nobilo (NZ) and R Allenby (Aus) 2 up; N Price (Zim) and S Elkington (Aus) halved P Mickelson and C Pavin (US). Match score: US lead 12-8.

ENDICOTT, New York: Open tournament: Third round (US unless stated). 198: J Suman 63, 68, 67. 200: M Sullivan 65, 67, 68. 201: B Claar 68, 68, 65. 202: B McCallister 67, 70, 65; C Byrum 67, 69, 66; M Hulbert 67, 67, 68; R Freeman 68, 65, 69. 203: P Goydos 68, 68, 67; R Beiersdorf 69, 66, 68; B Glasson 70, 65, 68, M Heinen 65, 70, 68. 204: M Dawson 65, 70, 69; S LaMontagne 70, 69, 65; S Verplank 67, 69, 68, P H Horgan 68, 67, 69. 205: M O'Meara 65, 73, 67. K Triplett 70, 68, 67; B Fleisher 67, 70, 68, T Barranger 65, 70, 70. 206: L Janzen 67, 67, 72; D Peoples 70, 65, 71; J Edwards 64, 72, 70; J Rassett 71, 68, 67; C DiMarco 67, 72, 67; B Boldt 70, 68, 68; P Jordan 67, 70, 69; G Kraft 70, 67, 69; K Gibson 71, 66, 69; G Day 64, 69, 73. Other scores: 210: J Parnevik (Swe) 69 71 70. 212: E Toledo (Mex) 69, 71, 72.

KENT, Washington: Women's tournament: Third round (US unless stated): 205: A Sorenstam (Swe) 67, 72, 66. 206: A Nicholas (GB) 70, 68, 68; C Johnson 68, 71, 67. 207: M Estil 68, 70, 69, B King 69, 68, 70. 208: V Fergon 72, 68, 68; E Crosby 72, 68, 68; J Inkster 71, 68, 69. 209: S Redman 71, 71, 67, K Robbins 73, 68, 68; D Richard 71, 68, 70; R Jones 70, 69, 70. 210: C Walker 69, 74, 67, T Green 72, 69, 69. 211: B Daniel 71, 72, 68. 212: S Steinhauer 74, 71, 67; J Larsen 70, 73, 69; D Andrews 72, 69, 71. Other scores: 213: L Neumann (Swe) 74, 71, 68. 214: B Bunkowsky (Can) 76, 71, 67; H Alfredsson (Swe) 74, 72, 68; S Little (SA) 68, 76, 70; A Dibos (Peru) 69, 74, 71; D Coe-Jones (Can) 70, 72, 72; G Graham (Can) 71, 70, 73; H Kobayashi (Jpn) 69, 72, 73. 215: E Dahllof (Swe) 72, 73, 70; L Davies (GB) 77, 65, 73. 220: C Pierce (GB) 71, 76, 73. 221: J Stephenson (Aus) 73, 74, 74. 222: K Lunn (Aus) 72, 74, 76.

LEXINGTON, Kentucky: Seniors' tournament: Second round (US unless stated): 133: I Aoki (Japan) 69, 64. 134: J Albus 66, 68, J Powell 66, 68. 136: G Archer 69, 67; J Kiefer 69, 67; M Hill 68, 68; D Weaver 67, 69. 137: G Brewer 68, 69. 138: O Moody 71, 67. T Wargo 69, 69. 139: L Gilbert 72, 67; C C Rodriguez 71, 68; R Mcbee 69, 70; C Coody 68, 71, D Eichelberger 68, 71; D Douglass 67, 72. 140: D Hendrickson 68, 72. 141: L Trevino 73, 68; L Mowry 73, 68; C Peete 72, 69; T Dill 71, 70; J Dent 69, 72. 142: R Cerl 73, 69; G Cowan 72, 70; D Rhyan 72, 70; M Hack 71, 71. Others score: 143: A Jacklin (GB) 72, 71.

ICE HOCKEY

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Group A: Teesside 7 Fife 8; Paisley 9 Blackburn 6. Group B: Telford 2 Whitley Bay 3; Trafford 8 Humberside 9. Group C: Sheffield 13 Romford 0; Nottingham 9 Milton Keynes 7. Group D: Basingstoke 13 Medway 4; Slough 13 Bracknell 7.

PREMIER DIVISION: Cardiff 17 Peterborough 3; Edinburgh 11 Durham 4.

AUTUMN TROPHY: Chelmsford 16 Lee Valley 2; Dumfries 6 Swindon 9.

MOTOR SPORT

DONINGTON PARK: British Touring Car Championship: Final round: Race 1 (18 laps, 45 miles): 1, P Radisich (NZ, Ford Mondeo) 30min 26.79sec; 2, A Menu (Switz, Renault Laguna) at 3.90sec; 3 G Simoni (It, Alfa Romeo 155) at 10:09; 4, J Winkelhock (Ger, BMW 318i) at 12.33; 5, T Harvey (GB, Renault Laguna) at 24.57, 6, J Bailey (GB, Toyota Carina E) at 26.90. Race 2 (18 laps). 1, Simoni 30 30.75, 2, Menu at 3.13; 3, Winkelhock at 8.30; 4, G Tarquini (It, Alfa Romeo 155) at 11.41; 5, J Cleland (GB, Vauxhall Cavalier) at 18.24; 6, Bailey at 18.73. Final positions: 1, Tarquini 298pts; 2 Menu 222; 3 Radisich 204.

MOTOR RALLYING

PERTH: Australian rally: Leading positions after third day: 1, C McRae (GB), Subaru Impreza, 4hr 8min 57sec; 2, J Kankkunen (Fin), Toyota Celica, 4:09:20; 3, K Eriksson (Swe), Mitsubishi Lancer, 4:11:35; 6, P Bourne (NZ), Subaru Impreza, 4:12:36, 5, R Burns (GB), Subaru Impreza, 4:14:40; 6, R Dunkerton (Aus), Mitsubishi Lancer, 4:29:34; 7, E Ordynski (Aus), Mitsubishi Lancer, 4:31:39; 8, G de Mevius (Bel), Opel Astra GSi, 4:41:32; 9, D Officer (Aus), Mitsubishi Lancer, 4:42:00; 10, K Singh (Mal) Proton Wira Turbo, 4:43:17.

ROWING

INDIANAPOLIS: World rowing championships: Finals: Men: Lightweight double sculls: 1, F Esposito and M Crispi (It) 6min 18.01sec; 2, R Hamill and M Rodger (NZ) 6:20.14; 3, M and M Gier (Switz) 6:20.85; 6, S Whitelaw and A Sinton (GB) 6:26.015. Lightweight quad sculls: 1, Austria 5:46.75; 2, Italy 5:48.33; 3, Portugal 5.49.64. Coxless pairs: 1, S Redgrave and M Pinsent (GB) 6:18 65. 2, P Hoeltzenbein and T Streppelhoff (Ger) 6:19 75; 3, R Walker and R Wearne (Aus) 6:20.25. Lightweight eights: 1, GB 5:31.00; 2, Denmark 5.31.38; 3, Italy 5:34 63. Coxed fours: 1, Romania 6:6.68; 2, US 6:07.07; 3, Holland 6'07.73. Coxless fours: 1, Italy 5:48:44; 2, France 5.49.82; 3, GB 5:50.37. Single sculls: 1, A Wilms (Ger) 6:46.33; 2 X Mueller (Switz) 6:48.02; 3 I Cop (Slovenia) 6:49.39. Lightweight single sculls: 1, P Haining (GB) 6:53.48; 2, N O'Toole (Ire) 6:56.33; 3, K Nielsen (Den) 6:56.99. Lightweight coxless fours: 1, L Pettinari and C Gaddi (It) 6:34.70; 2, V Millouchev and A Ostinov (Russ) 6:39.92; 3, N Maxwell and A O'Connor (Ire) 6:39.96; 6 R Everington and M Partridge (GB) 6:46.26. Women: Coxless pairs: 1, C Gosse and H Cortin (Fr) 7:01.77; 2, J Bobeica and E Lipa (Rom) 7:05.45; 3, A Ozolins and C Klomp (Aus) 7'07.60; 5, J Turvey and M Batten (GB) 7:11.50. Lightweight double sculls: 1, C Miller and W Wiebe (Can) 6:54.85; 2 Z Aifang and O Shaoyan (China) 6:55.83; 3 L Burns and T Zarzeczny (US) 6:57.76. B Final: 4, H Mangan and P White (GB) 7:09.79. Coxless fours: 1, Holland 6.30.76; 2, US 6:31.92; 3, Australia 6:32.85. Single sculls: 1, T Hansen (Den) 7:23.98, 2 K Boron (Ger) 7:24.80; 3, A L Bredael (Bel) 7:25.58. Lightweight single sculls: 1, C Pipota (Rom) 7:34.17; 2, L Vermulst (Hol) 7:35.81; 3, P Vogel (Switz) 7:38.63. B Final: 5, P Coreless (GB) 7:53.46

RUGBY LEAGUE

SYDNEY: Winfield Cup: Preliminary final: Canberra Raiders 22 North Sydney 9

RUGBY UNION

SYDNEY: Grand final: Randwick 38 Warringah 16 (at Concord Oval).

CURRIE CUP: Transvaal 24 Western Province 17 (at Johannesburg). Natal 44 Northern Transvaal 28 (at Durban).

SHOOTING

BISLEY: European Bianchi Cup: 1, M Fowler (US) 1,920pts (174) (equal world record); 2, P-P Pioner (Austria) 2,914 (160). 3, T Hasegawa (Japan) 1,910 (49); British: J Brice 1,904 (144); K Grime 1,904 (141); J Dodd 1,898 (126); M Jay 1,898 (119); J Broughton 1,894 (137).

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Eastbourne 63 Reading 33. Second division: Glasgow 67 Newcastle 29. Riders' championship: 1, P Bentley (Middlesbrough) 13pts; 2, T Olsson (Swindon) 12; 3, T Langdon (Swindon) 11

SQUASH

BARCELONA: World Open: Semi-finals: Jansher Khan (Pak) bt R Eyles (Aus) 15-7, 15-12, 15-13; P Marshall (Eng) bt P Nicol (Scot) 15-7, 13-15, 15-5, 15-3. Final: Khan bt Marshall 10-15, 15-11, 15-8, 15-5

TENNIS

BOGOTÁ: Men's tournament: Singles: Quarter-finals: N Pereira (Ven) bt F Meligeni (Br) 6-4, 7-5; K Novacek (Cz) bt D Nestor (Can) 6-4, 6-3; M Tobon (Col) bt C Mieses (Arg) 6-1, 6-7, 6-4; M Hadad (Col) bt S Cortes (Chile) 7-5, 6-1. Semi-final: N Pereira (Ven) bt K Novacek (Cz) 7-6, 6-3; M Hadad (Col) bt M Tobon (Col) 6-4, 6-7, 7-5

BUCHAREST: Men's tournament: Semi-finals: G Ivanisevic (Cro) bt R Furlan (It) 6-4, 6-4; F Davin (Arg) bt A Costa (Sp) 7-5, 6-3. Final: Davin bt Ivanisevic 6-2, 6-4.

BORDEAUX: Men's tournament: Third round: W Ferreira (SA) bt M Wilander (Swe) 2-6, 6-2, 6-3. Quarter-finals: M Rosset (Switz) bt F Santoro (Fr) 6-3, 6-1. G Forget (Fr) bt C Pioline (Fr) 5-7, 6-4, 6-3; J Tarango (US) bt G Raoux (Fr) 6-4, 6-3; Ferreira bt O Delaitre (Fr) 6-3, 6-4. Semi-finals: Tarango bt Rosset 6-1, 6-3; W Ferreira bt G Forget 6-3, 6-7, 6-1. Final: Ferreira bt Tarango 6-0, 7-5.

EASTBOURNE: LTA Summer satellite tournament: Men: Final: G Henderson (GB) bt A Foster (GB) 2-6, 6-2, 7-6.

EALING: LTA Summer satellite tournament (GB unless stated): Men: First round: H Koll (Nor) bt M Lee 7-5, 6-1; G Marx (Fr) bt M Wyeth 6-3, 6-1; B Cowan bt J Fox 6-1, 4-6, 6-3; T Spinks bt B Sceney (Aus) 3-6, 6-3, 6-0

YACHTING

SAN DIEGO: Star world championship: Final race: 1, C Buchan and F Lanzinger (US); 2, T Grael and M Ferriera (Br); 3, G Szabo and R Peters (US); 4, B Camet and A Camet (US), 5, E Doyle and B Bennett (US), 6, M Reynolds and H Haenel (US); 7, A Adler and R Meireles (Br); 8, R MacDonald and E Jespersen (Can). Final standings: 1, MacDonald and Jespersen 21pts; 2, Adler and Meireles 22; 3, Grael and Ferreira 37; 4, J Kostecki and T Olsen (US) 43; 5, Doyle and Bennett 44.

RACING RESULTS

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Going: good to soft

1.55 (1m) 1, Playing For Time (K Fallon, 5-6 fav; Private Handicapper's top rating), 2, Yoush (10-1); 3, Royal York (14-1). 13 ran. Nk, 2l. Mrs J Ramsden. Tote: £1.80; £1.10, £2.30, £5.00. DF: £6.90. CSF: £9.77.

2.25 (6f) 1, Here Comes Risky (J Weaver, 11-4 fav); 2, Cumbrian Minstrel (12-1); 3, Silver Thatching (8-1). 9 ran. NR: Sunday Mail Too. 1l, 1½l. M Johnston. Tote: £3.80; £1.40, £3.70, £2.00. DF: £24.80. Trio: £59.30. CSF: £29.46. Tricast: £191.88.

3.05 (6f) 1, Master Of Passion (M Tebbutt, 20-1); 2, Maid O'Cannie (33-1); 3, Jato (25-1); 4, Craigie Boy (7-1). Benzoe 9-2 fav. 27 ran. NR: Al Shaati, My Abbey. Hd, hd. J Eustace. Tote: £20.50; £4.70, £16.70, £8.30, £1.80. DF: £324.00. Trio: £2,634.90. CSF: £498.81. Tricast: £13,766.51.

3.35 (1m 2f 192yd) 1, Dancing Bloom (W Carson, Evens fav), 2, Key To My Heart (9-2); 3, Pearl Kite (11-4). 4 ran. 1½l, 15l. M Stoute. Tote: £1.60. DF: £2.40. CSF: £4.90

4.15 (6f) 1, Daring Destiny (J Tate, 18-1); 2, Alzianah (25-1). 3, Hard To Figure (20-1). 4, Palacegate Touch (25-1). Double Blue 4-1 fav. 29 ran. Nk, nk. K Burke. Tote: £44.40; £7.60, £4.90, £5.40, £5.80. DF: £1,162.30. Trio: not won. CSF: £373.27. Tricast: £7,911.14

4.45 (1m 5f 13yd) 1, Much Sought After (M Tebbutt, 12-1), 2, Midyan Blue (9-1), 3, Let's Get Lost (6-1). Roberty Lea 4-1 fav. 11 ran. 2½l, 6l. D Morley. Tote: £21.10; £4.20, £2.60, £2.80. DF: £69.60. Trio: £88.70. CSF: £108.65. Tricast: £654.39.

5.15 (1m 2f) 1, Cool Luke (M Tebbutt, 12-1); 2, Top Shiel (8-1); 3, Drummer Hicks (11-4 fav), 4, Soba Up (20-1). 17 ran. Hd, 1l. G Moore. Tote: £15.20; £2.40, £2.50, £1.40, £3.60. DF: £130.00. Trio: £94.40. CSF: £108.55. Tricast: £323.00.

Placepot: £1,940.80. Quadpot: £225.20.

NEWBURY

1.30 1, In Love Again (7-2 jt-fav); 2, Astral Invader (4-1); 3, Pelleman (7-2 jt-fav). Rosebud 7-2 jt-fav. 7 ran.

2.00 1, Princely Hush (9-2), 2, Fallow (4-1), 3, Gay Gallanta (4-1). Moon King 11-4 fav. 9 ran

2.30 1, Green Crusader (100-30), 2, Deer Hunt (5-1); 3, Aljazzaf (7-1). Arctic Thunder 3-1 fav. 8 ran.

3.00 1, Warm Spell (14-1), 2, Tudor Island (16-1); 3, New Reputation (6-1); 4, Golden Arrow (8-1). Caladesi 5-1 fav. 16 ran

3.30 1, Gadge (10-1), 2, Indian Fly (11-2 fav), 3, Prenonamoss (25-1), 4, Star Manager (14-1). 17 ran. NR: Manne Diver.

4.00 1, Mistle Cat (15-8 fav); 2, Green Green Desert (5-2); 3, Jafeica (4-1). 4 ran

4.30 1, Desert Courier (9-2); 2, Didina (5-4 fav). 3, Merry Oaks (3-1). 15 ran.

Jackpot: £64,066.30.

Placepot: £351.80. Quadpot: £62.10.

CATTERICK

2.20 1, Cadeaux Tryst (11-4); 2, Wardara (25-1); 3, Awayil (4-1). Chiming In 9-4 fav. 12 ran. NR: Stolen Melody

2.50 1, Rose Of Glenn (6-5 fav); 2, Springtime Affair (13-2), 3, Cruising Chick (9-1). 8 ran. NR: The Frog Lady

3.20 1, Salu (11-4 fav), 2, Tremendisto (25-1); 3, Bold Ambition (33-1); 4, Noragan (9-1). 20 ran.

3.50 1, Penny A Day (6-1); 2, Nestos (100-30 fav), 3, Master Hyde (9-1). 14 ran

4.25 1, On Y Va (12-1), 2, Cledeschamps (16-1); 3, Casting Shadows (14-1). Trumps High 3-1 fav. 15 ran. NR: Champagne Aleaster, It's So Easy, Surprise Breeze

4.55 1, Mistress Gwyn (6-4 fav), 2, Current Speech (6-1); 3, Reverand Thickness (3-1). 12 ran.

5.25 1, Chaldon Herring (7-1), 2, Flamboro (12-1), 3, Saint Amigo (13-2). Noor El Houdah 2-1 fav. 14 ran.

Placepot: £16.50.

Quadpot: £16.50.

WOLVERHAMPTON

7.00 1, Words Of Wisdom (16-1); 2, Saxon King (16-1); 3, Caherass Court (9-1). Equerry 9-4 fav. 12 ran

7.30 1, Vocal Command (6-4 fav); 2, Blackpool Festival (3-1); 3, Sharp Holly (14-1). 12 ran

8.00 1, Music Maker (6-4 fav); 2, Komaca (11-2), 3, Danegold (4-1). 7 ran.

8.30 1, Sleeptite (12-1); 2, Referential (3-1 fav), 3, Swordking (6-1). 11 ran.

9.00 1, Red Admiral (7-2 fav); 2, Disco Boy (14-1); 3, Indian Serenade (5-1). 13 ran.

9.30 1, Wild Rose Of York (8-1); 2, Harlequin Walk (20-1); 3, Premier Dance (3-1). Sagasan 5-2 fav. 12 ran.

Placepot: £577.00.

Quadpot: £19.10.

MARKET RASEN

2.10 1, Til Friday (85-40); 2, Tinstone (8-1), 3, Kedge (13-2). Mr Moriarty 2-1 fav. 8 ran.

2.45 1, Kemys Commander (3-1 fav), 2, Cosmic Force (8-1); 3, Adamare (4-1). 14 ran

3.15 1, Moobakkr (5-1); 2, Chantry Beath (4-1), 3, Elsdon (5-1). Twin Falls 6-4 fav. 8 ran. NR: Good Evans, Vayello.

3.45 1, Shrewd John (11-2); 2, Alan Ball (4-1); 3, Grazember (11-4 fav). 7 ran.

4.20 1, Eid (12-1), 2, Dark Den (2-1 fav), 3, Couture Stockings (9-1). 15 ran.

4.50 1, Ebony Swell (6-1); 2, Deep Decision (3-1 jt-fav); 3, Oh So Bold (3-1 jt-fav). 8 ran.

Placepot: £36.40.

Quadpot: £101.20.

HOCKEY

MEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE

First division: Firebrands 2 Hull 0, Guildford 1 Cannock 2, Indian Gymkhana 0 Havant 0; Old Loughtonians 3 East Grinstead 1, Reading 1 Teddington 0; Slough 1 Surbiton 2, Southgate 5 Bournville 1, Stourport 2 Canterbury 3. Trojans 0 Hounslow 4.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southgate	2	2	0	0	9	1	6
Hounslow	2	2	0	0	7	0	6
Surbiton	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
Reading	2	2	0	0	4	1	6
Canterbury	2	1	1	0	5	4	4
Old Loughts	1	1	1	0	7	5	3
Teddington	2	1	0	1	5	3	3
East Grinstead	2	1	0	1	5	4	3
Cannock	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Firebrands	2	1	0	1	2	4	3
Havant	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
Stourport	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
Indian Gym	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Slough	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
Guildford	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
Hull	2	0	0	2	1	6	0
Bournville	2	0	0	2	2	8	0
Trojans	2	0	0	2	2	9	0

ON TELEVISION

TODAY: *Football*: FA Carling Premiership: Ipswich v Norwich *(7.0pm, Sky Sports)*

American Football: AFC *(10.55, Ch4)* At least one of America's major sports is still on the go after the cancellation of baseball's World Series.

TUESDAY: *Snooker*: Scottish Masters *(2.30pm, Sky Sports)* Stephen Hendry et al (in this case Alan McManus) have given Scotland a power base in the game. It will be a strong and lucky Sassenach who overcomes them on home territory

Football: Serie A: Napoli v Juventus *(12.20am, Ch4)*

WEDNESDAY: *Football*: Coca-Cola Cup: Watford v Tottenham *(10.40pm, ITV)* An unlikely return for Jürgen Klinsmann to Vicarage Road, the ground where he first appeared for Spurs. It was a friendly that day.

THURSDAY: *Angling*: Screaming Reels *(8.30pm, Ch4)* Barry Hearn, for one, reckons that some bloke with a rod in his hand constitutes good television

FRIDAY: *Rugby League*: Castleford v Wigan *(7.0pm, Sky Sports)*

SATURDAY: *RACING*: British Festival of Racing at Ascot *(1.25, 2.0, 2.35, 3.55pm, BBC1)*

Boxing: Chavez v Taylor *(10.50pm, ITV)* Julio Cesar Chavez victory over Meldrick Taylor for WBC light-welterweight title



James Woollerton, of Great Britain, beats Maurizio Acampora, of Italy, in the under 50kg category at the under-18 judo international at Crystal Palace on Saturday. Britain won 4-2. Photograph: James Morgan

SCHOOLS SPORT

Rugby Union

Blundell's 30 Christ's Brecon 23
Bristol GS 18 Millfield 43
Bromsgrove 29 Trent 0
Chichester HS 3 Worth 11
Christ's Hospital 32 Portsmouth G S 7
City of London Freemen's 13 Wimbledon College 5
Cranleigh 15 Brighton 10
Dean Close 0 King's, Gloucester 12
Downside 12 Cheltenham 13
Dulwich 28 Bedford 8
Eastbourne 6 Sevenoaks 5
Emanuel 14 Eltham 8
Giggleswick 3 Durham 34
Haberdasher's Askes' 27 Aylesbury 12
Hampton 10 Campion 41
Ipswich 31 R G S Colchester 6
Kelly 23 Queen's, Taunton 0
KCS Wimbledon 8 Tiffin 42
King Edward VI, Southampton 14 Magdalen 21
King Edward VII, Lytham 11 St Edward's, Liverpool 20
King's, Canterbury 25 Duke of York's 5
King's, Ely 100 Shi-Tennoji (Japan) 0
King's, Taunton 29 King's, Bruton 0
Latymer Upper 24 Enfield GS 3
Marling 10 Bristol Cathedral 3
Merchant Taylors' 18 St Mary's 10
Mill Hill 12 Haileybury 10
Monkton Combe 17 Dauntsey's 0
Nottingham HS 3 Oakham 12
Pocklington 3 QEGS Wakefield 34
Rugby 31 Uppingham 7
Rydal 17 O Rydalians 25
St Bart's 0 Desborough 6
St Dunstan's 20 Whitgift 10
St George's, Weybridge 7 RGS Guildford 21
St Olave's 8 Colfe's 7
St Peter's, York 16 Leeds GS 9
Solihull 10 King Edward's, Birmingham 22
Stamford 93 Radcliffe 0
Stoneyhurst 34 St Bede's 0
Tonbridge 51 Judd 0
Trinity, Croydon 8 Reigate 13
Warwick 15 R G S Worcester 10
Wellington, Berks 45 St Paul's 3
Wellington, Somerset 20 Plymouth 3
Westminster 5 King Edward VII, Whitley 0
Windsor 17 John Fisher 10.

Athletics

TSB ENGLISH SCHOOLS COMBINED EVENTS CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Birmingham)

Pentathlon: Junior Boys: 1, M Newton (Staffordshire) 3,173pts. 2, T Benn (Essex) 3,024. 3, A Squire (Staffs) 2,758.

Walking championship: Junior: Boys (3km): 1, M Hales (Sussex) 14min 49.73sec; 2, J Murphy (Leicestershire) 14.49.76, 3, M Kemp (Leicestershire) 15 41 82. Girls (2.5km) 1, S Bennett *(West Midlands) 12min 30 72sec*. 2, A Hales (Sussex) 13:38.26. 3, S Woodcock (North Yorks) 13 41 45. Intermediate: Boys (5km): 1, S Monk (Essex) 25.46 71. 2, D Crane (Essex) 26:28 42. 3, S Taylor 26 45.40. Girls (3km) 1, N Huckerby (West Midlands) 15.18.90; 2, N Howley (South Yorkshire) 15 26 56. 3, S Warren (Sussex) 16:04.88. Senior: Boys (5km) 1, S Hollier (Staffs) 26.19.36; 2, J Whitehouse (West Midlands) 29 59.64 (only two walked). *Girls (5km): 1, L Tozer (West Midlands)* 26:14.09; 2, S Vine (Hampshire) 30 22 52, 3, A Brown (Kent) 32 26.32.

Football

INTER CITY CHALLENGE

Manchester 1 Leeds 2
Tameside 1 Bury 1
Halton 3 Stockport 2
Blackburn 1 Blackpool 4
Salford 2 St Helens 0
Bradford 2 Rotherham 3
Scarborough *2 Hull* 0
Sheffield 2 Barnsley 1
Chesterfield 0 Doncaster 1
Bishop Auckland 2 Darlington 2
Halesowen S 2 Coventry 0

CHARLTON CUP

Isle Of Wight 0 Havant 0
Basingstoke 0 Southampton 5
Gosport 2 Portsmouth 0

STAFFORDSHIRE LEAGUE

Cannock 0 Walsall 3
Burton 5 Stafford 2

Judo

GREAT BRITAIN v ITALY UNDER-18 INTERNATIONAL (at Crystal Palace)

Under 50kg: J Woollerton (GB) bt M Acampora, throw. Under 55kg: R Clarke (GB) bt A Langelca, arm lock. Under 60kg: C McKenna (GB) beat E *Citro, throw.* Under 65kg: C Limardi (GB) bt F *Gaeta, throw.* Under 78kg: S Sorrell bt N Carnegie (GB), throw. Over 78kg: G Carola bt P Adams (GB), throw. Match result: Great Britain 4 Italy 2.

☐ Ben Vines, 20, is the new national match racing champion. The former Cadet world champion defeated title holder Andy Beadsworth 2-0 in a light-air final (Malcolm McKeag writes). In the first best-of-three series, Beadsworth led all around the course only to have Vines creep past four lengths from the line. In the second race Vines incurred a penalty at the first windward mark but with a smart move gave himself the space to take his penalty turn on the next windward leg yet still stay in front.

RESULT: 1, B Vines; 2, A Beadsworth, 3, A Stead; 4, I Budgen.

RUGBY UNION

World Cup

European Seeding Group
(at National Stadium, Bucharest)

Romania 9 Wales 16

Romania: Pens: Nichitean 3. Wales: Try: I Evans. Cons: N Jenkins. Pens: N Jenkins 3.

Courage Clubs *Championship*

First division

Bristol 44 Sale 22

Bristol: Tries: Eves, Hull, John, Regan, G Sharp. Cons: Tainton 2. Pens: Tainton 5. Sale: Try: Mallinder. Con: Turner. Pens: Turner 4. Dropped goal: Turner.

Gloucester 48 W Hartlepool 12

Gloucester: Tries: Morris 3, Holford 2, Mapletoft, T Smith. Cons: Mapletoft 5. Pen: Mapletoft. W Hartlepool: Pens: Oliphant 4.

Harlequins 21 Wasps 57

Harlequins: Tries: Challinor, Moore, Sheasby. Cons: Challinor. Pens: Challinor 3. Wasps: Tries: Greenstock 2, Hunter 2, Childs, Dallaglio, D Hopley, Ryan, Wilkins. Cons: Andrew 3. Pen: Andrew. Dropped goal: Andrew.

Northampton 16 Bath 32

Northampton: Try: Grayson. Con: Grayson. Pens: Grayson 3. Bath: Tries: Swift 2, Adebayo. Con: Callard. Pens: Callard 5.

Orrell 0 Leicester 6

Leicester: Pens: Harris 2.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wasps	2	2	0	0	102	34	4
Bath	2	2	0	0	50	25	4
Leicester	2	2	0	0	34	15	4
Bristol	2	1	0	1	53	40	2
Gloucester	2	1	0	1	56	57	2
Orrell	2	1	0	1	19	23	2
Harlequins	2	1	0	1	46	76	2
Sale	2	0	0	2	41	64	0
Northampton	2	0	0	2	31	60	0
W Hartlepool	2	0	0	2	29	67	0

LEADING SCORERS: 32: R Andrew (Wasps; 2 tries, 5 conversions, 3 penalty goals, 1 dropped goal). 31: P Grayson (Northampton; 1t, 1c, 8pg). 28: M Tainton (Bristol; 2c, 8pg). 25: J Callard (Bath; 2c, 7pg). 24: J. Harris (Leicester; 8pg). 21: K Oliphant (West Hartlepool; 8pg). 21: M Mapletoft (Gloucester; 1t, 5c, 2pg); P Turner (Sale; 3c, 5pg).

Second division

L Scottish 13 Waterloo 25

London Scottish: Tries: Millard, Wichery. Pen: Walker. Waterloo: Tries: White. Con: Swindells. Pens: Swindells 5. Dropped goal: Ryan.

Newcastle G 45 Fylde 14

Newcastle Gosforth: Tries: Wilkinson 2, Archer, Arnold, Chandler. Cons: Mason 4. Pens: Mason 4. Fylde: Try: Hanavan. Pens: Parker 3.

Nottingham 23 Coventry 7

Nottingham: Tries: Furley, Musto. Cons: Gallagher 2. Pens: Gallagher 3. Coventry: Try: Horrobin. Con: Angell.

Saracens 35 L Irish 22

Saracens: Tries: Diprose, Green, Harries, Tunningley. Cons: Tunningley 3. Pens: Tunningley 2. Dropped goal: Lee. London Irish: Tries: Halpin, Saunders, Short. Cons: Corcoran 2. Pen: Corcoran.

Wakefield 17 Moseley 22

Wakefield: Try: Morley. Pens: Jackson 4. Moseley: Try: Robinson. Con: Hodgkinson. Pens: Hodgkinson 5.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Waterloo	2	2	0	0	43	26	4
Saracens	2	2	0	0	46	31	4
Newcastle G	2	1	0	1	58	32	2
Moseley	2	1	0	1	31	28	2
L Irish	2	1	0	1	47	48	2
Nottingham	2	1	0	1	37	40	2
Wakefield	2	1	0	1	32	36	2
Fylde	2	1	0	1	47	59	2
Coventry	2	0	0	2	21	38	0
L Scottish	2	0	0	2	26	50	0

LEADING SCORERS: 35: S Swindells (Waterloo; 1 conversion, 11 penalty goals). 28: S Mason (Newcastle Gosforth; 5c, 6pg). 27: M Corcoran (London Irish; 3c, 7pg). 22: *M Gallagher (Nottingham; 2c, 6pg).* 20: A Tunningley (Saracens; 1 try, 3c, 3pg). 19: A Parker (Fylde; 2c, 5pg).

Third division

Bedford 19 Clifton 5
Blackheath 15 Rugby 11
Exeter 9 Rosslyn Park 11
Harrogate 23 Morley 3
Otley 19 Richmond 6

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Harrogate	2	2	0	0	41	15	4
Blackheath	2	2	0	0	34	25	4
Rugby	2	1	0	1	36	24	2
Otley	2	1	0	1	32	25	2
Exeter	2	1	0	1	22	17	2
Bedford	2	1	0	1	28	30	2
Rosslyn Pk	2	1	0	1	25	28	2
Clifton	2	1	0	1	24	32	2
Richmond	2	0	0	2	18	37	0
Morley	2	0	0	2	9	36	0

LEADING SCORERS: 32: P Rutledge (Otley; 2 tries, 2 conversions, 6 penalty goals). 29: S Howard (Blackheath; 1c, 9pg, 1 dropped goal). 23: A Finnie (Bedford; 1c, 7pg). 18: J Head (Richmond; 6pg). 16: J Quantrill (Rugby; 2c, 4pg). 14: S Hogg (Clifton; 1c, 2pg, 2dg).

Fourth division

Askeans 6 Liverpool St H 9
Broughton Pk 18 Aspatria 9
Leeds 6 Havant 18
Plymouth 12 Rotherham 23
Redruth 23 Reading 28

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rotherham	2	2	0	0	76	21	4
Liverpool SH	2	2	0	0	39	9	4
Havant	2	2	0	0	41	22	4
Reading	2	2	0	0	55	40	4
Leeds	2	1	0	1	28	29	2
Broughton Pk	2	1	0	1	21	39	2
Redruth	2	0	0	2	39	51	0
Aspatria	2	0	0	2	20	40	0
Plymouth	2	0	0	2	29	50	0
Askeans	2	0	0	2	15	62	0

Fifth division north

Birmingham 23 Stoke 17
Lichfield 13 Stourbridge 29
Nuneaton 9 Kendal 12
Preston G 24 Barkers Butts 8
Sheffield 40 Hereford 8
Wharfedale 24 Winnington Pk 15

Fifth division south

Barking 16 Met Police 26
Berry Hill 19 Henley 23
Camborne 15 Basingstoke 6

H Wycombe 5 Weston-s-Mare 13
L Welsh 37 Tabard 7
Lydney 18 N Walsham 12

McEwan's League

First division

Boroughmuir 15 Stewarts Mel 10

Boroughmuir: Pens: Easson 4. Dropped goal: Easson. Stewarts Mel FP: Try: Wylie. Con: Stirling. Pen: Stirling.

Currie 17 Watsonians 47

Currie: Tries: Dunn, Wilson. Cons: Donaldson 2. Pen: Donaldson. Watsonians: Tries: S Hastings 2, F Henderson 2, Jessop, Kerr. Cons: G Hastings 4. Pens: G Hastings 3.

Dundee HSFP 18 Stirling Co 19

Dundee HSFP: Tries: Sandford 2. Con: J Newton. Pens: J Newton 2. Stirling County: Try: Turner. Con: M McKenzie. Pens: M McKenzie 4.

Gala 27 Melrose 50

Gala: Tries: Dalgleish, Turnbull, Weir. Cons: Maitland 3. Pens: Maitland 2. Melrose: Tries: Joiner 2, Ross Brown, R Brown, Chalmers, G Parker, B Redpath. Scott. Cons: G Parker 5.

Heriot's FP 9 Glasgow HK 21

Heriot's FP: Pens: Glasgow 2. Dropped goal: Glasgow. Glasgow High Kelvinside: Pens: Hinni 7.

Jed-Forest 22 Edinburgh Ac 16

Jed-Forest: Try: Douglas. Con: C Richards. Pens: C Richards 5. Edinburgh Academicals: Try: Russell. Con: Shepherd. Pens: Shepherd 3.

W of Scotland 29 Hawick 25

West of Scotland: Tries: Barrett, Craig, Harvey, Stott. Cons: Barrett 3. Hawick: Tries: Irvine, T Stanger, Suddon. Cons: Welsh 2. Pens: Welsh 2.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watsonians	2	2	0	0	84	35	4
Melrose	2	2	0	0	72	36	4
Glasgow HK	2	2	0	0	57	25	4
Stirling Co	2	2	0	0	36	27	4
Heriot's FP	2	1	0	1	30	34	2
W of Scotland	2	1	0	1	35	42	2
Jed-Forest	2	1	0	1	40	53	2
Boroughmuir	2	1	0	1	31	46	2
Gala	2	1	0	1	49	71	2
Dundee HSFP	2	0	1	1	27	28	1
Edinburgh Ac	2	0	1	1	25	31	1
Stewarts Mel	2	0	0	2	31	37	0
Hawick	2	0	0	2	33	47	0
Currie	2	0	0	2	25	69	0

Second division

Corstorphine 18 Gordonians 9
Haddington 15 Musselburgh 21
Kelso 38 Grangemouth 12
Kirkcaldy 18 Selkirk 16
Peebles 31 Glasgow Ac 27
Preston Lodge 43 Edinburgh W 11
Wigtownshire 14 Biggar 15

Club matches

Ebbw Vale 14 Swansea 18
Llanharan 13 Bridgend 18
Maesteg 5 Neath 38
Narberth 20 Llanelli 30
Newbridge 13 Cross Keys 13
Pontypool 32 Abertavon 12
Pontypridd 42 S Wales Pol 18
Tenby Utd 8 Treorchy 32
Penarth 21 Abertillery 29

Insurance Corporation League

First division

Blackrock Col 7 Garryowen 15
Cork Con 25 Lansdowne 23
Instonians 9 Dungannon 6
Shannon 20 St Mary's Col 6
Sunday's Well 21 Old Wesley 6

Second division

Bangor 12 Terenure Col 16
Bective Rangers 16 Ballymena 6
Greystones 21 Dolphin 9
Old Belvedere 30 Malone 24
Wanderers 12 Old Crescent 12

LONDON: First division: Camberley 24 Old Mid-Whitgiftians 10; Eton Manor 6 Southend 35; Harlow 34 Old Colfeians 15; Maidstone 6 Guildford and Godalming 53; Streatham and Croydon 12 Ruislip 23, Sutton and Epsom 6 Esher 12.

SOUTH WEST: First division: Barnstaple 5 Newbury 0; Brixham 9 Gloucester OB 10; Cheltenham 37 Stroud 9; Cinderford 25 Sherborne 3; Salisbury 21 Maidenhead 21; Taunton 11 Torquay 8.

MIDLANDS: First division: Burton 24 Syston 10; Derby 8 Worcester 15; Leamington 10 Bedworth 10; Stafford 15 Wolverhampton 30; Westleigh 27 Mansfield 3; Whitchurch 28 Camp Hill 3.

NORTH: First division: Hull Ionians 5 Huddersfield 17; Manchester 28 West Park Bramhope 13; Middlesbrough 16 Bradford and Bingley 9; Stockton 23 York 0; Tynedale 8 Sandal 21; Wigton 6 Widnes 24.

GUIDE TO THE WEEK'S MAIN FIXTURES

TODAY

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

FA Carling Premiership
Ipswich v Norwich (8.0)

Bob Lord Trophy
First round, first leg
Bath v Welling
Stevenage v Farnborough

Vauxhall Conference
Championship Shield
Kidderminster v Woking

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde v Marine

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Wolverhampton v Aston Villa (7.0). Second division: Leicester v Birmingham (7.0). Preston v Mansfield (7.0).

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division. Bristol Rovers v Tottenham, Chelsea v West Ham (7.0). Millwall v Portsmouth (2.0)

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance county championship
10.30, final day of four
TAUNTON: Somerset v Derbyshire
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Durham
HOVE: Sussex v Yorkshire
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Northamptonshire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Kent
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Warwickshire
SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Glamorgan
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Leicestershire
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Middlesex

OTHER SPORT

RACING: Edinburgh (first race, 2.20), Nottingham (2.00), Pontefract (2.15)

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

COCA-COLA CUP: Second round, first leg (7.45 unless stated): Barnet v Man City; *Blackburn v Birmingham; Bristol City v Notts County*, Carlisle v QPR (7.30), Chesterfield v Wolverhampton (7.30), Everton v Portsmouth, Fulham v Stoke. Huddersfield v Southampton, Lincoln v Crystal Palace, Oxford Utd v Oldham, Reading v Derby, Scarborough v Middlesbrough (7.30), Stockport v Sheff Utd (7.30), Tranmere v Brentford (7.30). Walsall v West Ham, Wimbledon v Torquay, Wrexham v Coventry (7.30)

SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP: Quarter-final (7.30): St Johnstone v Raith

OTHER SPORT

RUGBY UNION: Club match (7.15) Glamorgan Wndrs v Pontypool.

RACING: Kempton Park (first race 1.45), Nottingham (2.0)

WEDNESDAY

FOOTBALL

COCA-COLA CUP: Second round, first leg (7.45 unless stated): Aston Villa v Wigan; Brighton v Leicester; Chelsea v Bournemouth; Hartlepool v Arsenal (7.30), Ipswich v Bolton; Leeds v Mansfield, Liverpool v Burnley; Millwall v Sunderland, *Newcastle v Barnsley; Norwich v Swansea*; Nottm Forest v Hereford (7.30); Port Vale v Man Utd, Sheff Wed v Bradford, Swindon v Charlton; Watford v Tottenham

SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP: Quarter-final (7.30): Celtic v Dundee Utd. Falkirk v Aberdeen, Hibernian v Airdrie

OTHER SPORT

RUGBY UNION: Club matches (7.15): Bonymaen v Gorseinon (7.00), Llandovery v Cardigan (7.00), Treorchy v Gwernyfed

RACING: Brighton (first race 2.0), Chester (2.20), Perth (2.10)

THURSDAY

RACING: Ascot (BBC, first race 2.0), Perth *(2.10), Taunton (2.20)*

FRIDAY

RUGBY LEAGUE: Stones Bitter Championship (7.30): Castleford v Wigan.

RACING: Ascot (BBC, first race 1.30), Haydock Park (2.10), Redcar (2.20)

SATURDAY

FOOTBALL

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP (3.0): Blackburn v Aston Villa, Coventry v Southampton, Crystal Palace v Chelsea, Everton v Leicester; Ipswich v Man Utd, Man City v Norwich; *Newcastle v Liverpool*; *QPR v* Wimbledon; Tottenham v Nottm Forest

ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First division (3.0): Bristol City v Middlesbrough, Millwall v Luton; Notts County v Charlton, Oldham v Barnsley; Port Vale v Sheff Utd, Portsmouth v Wolverhampton, Southend v Bolton, Swindon v Grimsby, Tranmere v Sunderland; Watford v Reading; West Brom v Burnley

Second division: Birmingham v Hull Blackpool v Wrexham, Bournemouth v Cardiff, Bradford v Huddersfield, Brighton v Cambridge Utd; Crewe v Brentford, Oxford Utd v *Leyton Orient*, Peterborough v Rotherham, Plymouth v Chester; Shrewsbury v Bristol Rov, Stockport v Wycombe, Swansea v York.

Third division: Bury v Chesterfield, Darlington v Colchester, Doncaster v Preston, Fulham v Hereford; Hartlepool v Lincoln, Mansfield v Exeter, Northampton v Carlisle, Scarborough v Rochdale; Scunthorpe v Wigan; Torquay v Barnet. Walsall v Gillingham.

VAUXHALL CONFERENCE (3.0): Bath v Kidderminster, Bromsgrove v Altrincham; Farnborough v Runcorn, Macclesfield v Halifax; Stalybridge v Stafford; Woking v Southport, Yeovil v Kettering

BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Aberdeen v Rangers, Celtic v Hibernian; Dundee Utd v Falkirk; Hearts v Kilmarnock; Partick v Motherwell

First division: Airdrie v Clydebank; Ayr v Dundee, Dunfermline v Stranraer, St Johnstone v Hamilton, St Mirren v Raith.

Second division: Dumbarton v Clyde, East Fife v Greenock Morton, Meadowbank v Stirling Queen Of South v Brechin, Stenhousemuir v Berwick.

Third division: Albion Rov v Cowdenbeath, Alloa v Caledonian Th, East Stirling v Forfar, Montrose v Queen's Park; Ross County v Arbroath

RUGBY UNION

COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Bath v Orrell; Bristol v Harlequins; Leicester v Gloucester, Sale v Northampton, West Hartlepool v Wasps

Second division: Coventry v Newcastle Gosforth, Fylde v London Scottish, Moseley v Nottingham, Wakefield v Saracens; Waterloo v London Irish.

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: First division: Bridgend v Newport; Llanelli v Pontypool, Neath v Dunvant. Pontypridd v Newbridge; Swansea v Cardiff; Treorchy v Abertillery

OTHER SPORT

RACING: Ascot (BBC, first race 1.30), Haydock Park (2.15), Redcar (2.00), Carlisle (2.10), Market Rasen (2.20), Worcester (2.30)

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship

First division

Halifax 40 Wakefield 10

Halifax: Tries: Bentley 2, Eden 2, Hamson, Moriarty, Schuster. Goals: Schuster 6. Wakefield: Tries: Hanlan 2. Goal: Whitaker. Att: 5,000

Leeds 26 Salford 20

Leeds: Tries: Tait 2, Fallon, Hanley, Holroyd. Goals: Holroyd 3. Salford: Tries: Ford 2, McAvoy 2, Panapa. Att: 11,598.

Oldham 44 Doncaster 8

Oldham: Tries: Crompton 2, Abram, Farnaio, Heslop, Irwin, Lord, Topping. Goals: Topping 6. Doncaster: Tries: Lingard. Goals: Green 2. Att: 3,861.

Sheffield 29 Warrington 8

Sheffield: Tries: Farrell, Price, Stott, Turner. Goals: Mycoe 6. Dropped goals: Briggs. Warrington: Tries: McGuire. Goals: Davies 2

St Helens 47 Castleford 14

St Helens: Tries: Hunte 4, Sullivan 3, Gibbs. Goals: Goulding 7. Dropped goal: Goulding. Castleford: Tries: Hay, Stephens. Goals: Crooks 2, Ketteridge. Att: 7,710.

Wigan 46 Widnes 12

Wigan: Tries: Betts 3, Robinson 3, Edwards, Hall, McDermott. Goals: Paul 3, Farrell 2. Widnes: Tries: Green, Makin. Goals: Hadley 2. Att: 14,354.

Workington 18 Hull 8

Workington: Tries: Ellison 2, Cocker. Goals: Marwood 3. Hull: Try: Street. Goals: Smirk 2. Att: 3,300

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford	6	6	0	0	212	64	12
Wigan	5	5	0	0	218	68	10
Castleford	5	4	0	1	146	104	8
St Helens	6	4	0	2	171	149	8
Leeds	5	4	0	1	108	94	8
Warrington	7	3	1	3	161	113	7
Halifax	5	3	0	2	158	89	6
Doncaster	5	3	0	2	86	98	6
Sheffield	5	2	0	3	93	108	4
Widnes	6	2	0	4	79	171	4
Salford	6	1	1	4	131	149	3
Featherstone	5	1	1	3	104	148	3
Workington	5	1	0	4	79	117	2
Wakefield	5	1	0	4	55	147	2
Oldham	5	1	0	4	94	197	2
Hull	5	0	1	4	82	161	1

Second division

Barrow 14 Ryedale York 45
Batley 22 Whitehaven 5
Highfield 8 London Broncos 30
Hull K R 19 Rochdale 2
Hunslet 22 Carlisle 26
Keighley 46 Dewsbury 8
Leigh 20 Huddersfield 18
Swinton 24 Bramley 22

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hull K R	5	5	0	0	231	42	10
Keighley	5	4	1	0	162	60	9
Leigh	5	4	0	1	179	54	8
Batley	5	4	0	1	153	57	8
Ryedale York	5	3	1	1	182	85	7
London Broncos	5	3	0	2	108	89	6
Swinton	4	3	0	1	83	108	6
Huddersfield	5	2	0	3	128	83	4
Dewsbury	4	2	0	2	118	91	4
Rochdale	5	2	0	3	118	127	4
Whitehaven	5	2	0	3	68	108	4
Carlisle	5	2	0	3	105	158	4
Bramley	5	1	0	4	89	109	2
Hunslet	5	1	0	4	85	191	2
Barrow	5	0	0	5	66	235	0
Highfield	5	0	0	5	32	310	0

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Haining stars in Britain's medal parade

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL IN INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS proved to be a medal paradise for Britain in the world rowing championships. Peter Haining, Matthew Pinsent and Steve Redgrave retained their crowns, the lightweight eight joined them as the world's best, and there was the bonus of silver and bronze performances.

Haining was supreme. Niall O'Toole, of Ireland, chanced everything on a blistering first half in the lightweight sculls final but Haining stayed calm, stalked him, and won the race with a tremendous burst at 1,600 metres. Haining then opened a three-length margin before easing down before the line.

Mike Baldwin, of London RC, the starter, penalised Redgrave and Pinsent in the coxless pairs final on Saturday. Two false starts would have resulted in disqualification, and Baldwin said later: "I have never been so terrified in my life."

The British pair were cautious on the second attempt and trailed Australia and Germany off the start, missing several feet of momentum. At his standard, it might have cost them the race. The Germans held a two-second advantage until 1,500 metres and thought they had done enough to win. Not so. Pinsent steadily increased the pressure and, at 43½ strokes per minute, the world champions took the lead past the enclosure and won by half a length.

Almost before the ripples had settled, Britain struck gold again, this time courtesy of the lightweight eight. The crew led to 500 metres before following their coach's instructions to "cruise the second 500". They overdid it, hitting a rate of 35 at one stage and dropping behind the fancied Danes. They were still two seconds adrift at 1,500 metres, but Toby Hessian, the stroke, then produced an increase in pace which the crew had perfected in training, and a second gold was achieved by .36 of a second.

The women's lightweight four, champions in 1993 but not rated highly here, lifted their performance remarkably yesterday and came through the field to snatch silver in the last few strokes from China, to a background of tumultuous applause as the Americans took their first gold.

The Searle brothers failed to remain world champions in Britain's new coxless four, but the crew rowed superbly in the second half of their final yesterday and won a bronze medal. A terrible first half of the race was followed by a magical second as the British cut through the field, just failing to catch the French former world champions and the Italians, who won in world record time.

Britain's other finalists failed to feature in class line-ups. The men's lightweight double were not happy in the tailwind on Saturday and finished sixth. More disappointing were Miriam Batten and Jo Turvey, the women's coxless pairs finalists for the third year, who finished fifth after a hesitant start. The appearance of the spare men's lightweight coxless pair in the final was an achievement in itself.

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Haining: supreme

JULIAN HERBERT



Davidson and Squelch in action during the cross-country stage of the international horse trials at Blenheim

Davidson in charge from first to last

BY JENNY MACARTHUR

BRUCE Davidson, of the United States, secured his first three-day event victory in Britain for 20 years when he and George Strawbridge's thoroughbred, Squelch, won the Blenheim Audi International Horse Trials. They had led the competition from the start.

In a tense, final show-jumping phase, Rodney Powell, of Britain, moved up to second place on his Badminton prospect, Comic Relief, when Blyth Tait and Ivor Chance had a fence down and dropped to fourth. Sharon Ridgway, of Australia, who nearly ruined her chances when she started before the bell, took third place on Kilkenny Castle.

Davidson, despite being one of the sport's most successful riders, last won on British soil at Burghley in 1974 on Irish Cap, when he won the first of his two world titles. Yesterday, he could afford only one fence down to retain his lead. He used up that advantage at fence six, but then jumped the rest of the course clear to become the first American winner of the event.

The performance confirms Squelch as a prospect for the 1996 Olympic Games. Davidson, 44, spotted him two years' ago at a local show in Virginia. "I liked the look of him and told my wife, Carol, to keep an eye on him," Davidson, who won Olympic team gold medals in 1976 and 1984, said.

Powell, who is based near Swindon, was no less excited about Comic Relief. A former British team member, Powell has been struggling to find a replacement for The Irishman, whom he sold to Davidson after winning Badminton with him in 1991. Comic Relief, one of only two horses to finish the event on his dressage score, could be that horse. "He's brilliant — a machine," Powell said.

In a fitting climax to Audi's last year of sponsorship at Blenheim, Great Britain won the Young Riders' European Championships for the ninth time in the event's 14-year history. Sweden and Ireland, the only other teams remaining in the competition, took the silver and bronze medals respectively.

Terry Boon, of Britain, who had been in line for a second successive individual gold medal on Vital Decision, dropped back to second place behind Germany's newcomer to the sport, Nina Melkonian, who won the event on West Star.

RESULTS

FINAL POSITIONS: 1, Squelch (B Davidson, US) 52.95pts; 2, Comic Relief (R Powell, GB) 57.0; 3, Kilkenny Castle (S Ridgway, Aus) 59.8; 4, Ivor Chance (B Tait, NZ) 60.2; 5, Chinook II (T Sederholm, GB) 61.8; 6, Maisy Brown (P Muir, GB) 63.2. Land Rover World Rider Rankings: 1, K Dixon (GB) 322pts; 2, M Thomson (GB) 269; 3, M Todd (NZ) 211; 4, A Nicholson (NZ) 189; 5, B Tait (NZ) 188; 6, M Ryan (Aus) 174.

European Young Riders: Three-Day Event: Individual placings: 1 West Star (N Melkonian, Ger) 52.60; 2 Vital Decision (T Boon, GB) 54.10; 3 Pinezzo (S Brecciaroli, It) 58.40. Other British placings: 5, Nietzsche (N Campbell) 84.20; 6, Poggio (P Clark) 65.60; 9, By Appointment (R Wade) 71.80.

Team positions: 1, Great Britain 197.90; 2, Sweden 260.50; 3, Ireland 273.40.

Northern light grows dim

I said yes, I would go to Holker Street; added no, it was not my favourite ground but on the credit side it was fractionally more accessible than Ross County, Barrow v Rochdale then.

I telephoned the home club secretary: What time is the kick-off? He said: "What time can you get along?" The thrust of my journey to Cumbria was due to the paper's circulation in the north-west being in need of a lift. (Circulation elsewhere needed lifts also, but it was not my job to mention it.)

On the road to the ground, placards bearing orange globes announce: "Clement Freud is here." They were attached to many walls and in the forecourt, in front of the turnstiles, a sandwich man bearing that selfsame intelligence at the end of a six-foot pole was doing slow circuits, pursued by one dressed in black whose message proclaimed: "Prepare to meet thy doom." I have never understood why doomsters pick on football crowds when there are so many sinners in public houses and snooker halls.

We were 3,118, a pathetic crowd, about half of Barrow's average. I had predicted a draw: by this, the penultimate Saturday of September, the home team had yet to achieve a home win; the away team was without an away victory and in the nether reaches of League football, surprise results are few.

And I was right; the final whistle blew on Barrow 2, Rochdale 2. Both goals scored with the wind. Neither team playing as if it had received sufficient incentive to throw the match nor enough pep pills to win it.

The referee was the fastest, fittest man on the park and at half-time we of the third estate got cups of tea and cold sausage rolls. The crowd was solemn throughout, solemner in the second half: predominantly silent with occasional grunts of "get stuck in" and as the sun dipped behind the West stand we observed the steady flicker of cigarette lighters on the terraces, always the manifestation of extreme tension or boredom ... the latter seemed more likely.

When it was all over and the "Cemetery" bus waited outside to take people from whence they had come, the manager appeared in the press box and said: "All right, lads, any questions?" None came to mind. We got a sip of whisky in the boardroom and the chairman spoke of the glory days: the home tie against Swansea in the FA Cup 1954.

Swansea of the second division. The crowd was 16,874; "well, yes the result was a disappointment but then Swansea was a steady team; came tenth in the second division three years running". Then there was the year Barrow came fifth in the third division (north); why did they have to do away with that, the chairman wanted to know. With the regional divide gone, there are 700 mile-round trips to Torquay and Exeter and with the rising price of petrol and players' wages going through the roof, it is a job to make ends meet.

CLEMENT FREUD



Afterthoughts

☐ *In September 1964 Clement Freud was sports columnist for the newly launched, broadsheet, pre-Murdoch Sun. The chairman of Barrow was right. In 1972, Barrow, after 11 applications for re-election, were relegated from the League to go wherever one goes after leaving the fourth division.*

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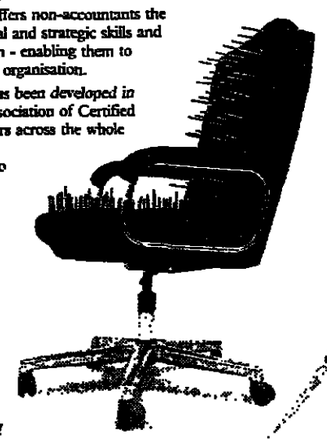
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Lecture halls filled to bursting are proof of a huge, unplanned increase in student numbers — up by a half over the past five years. Now, intakes are being restricted

Has the boom fizzled out?

Higher education cannot expand for ever, says **Peter Scott**, and without a Big Idea, it could easily contract

In the past five years Britain has acquired a mass higher education system, almost in a fit of absent-mindedness. The number of students has increased by half. Almost a third of young people go on to university or college, a figure within shouting range of participation rates in the rest of Europe and the United States. Because of the expansion of further education, the proportion "going to college" is probably nearer 40 per cent.

But there are now signs that the boom is ending — for the moment. Last autumn the Government switched to a policy of consolidation, holding total numbers steady, which required a cut in first-year intakes.

Earlier in the summer there had already been straws in the wind. The total number of applicants had reached a plateau, and well-regarded former polytechnics found they would have to fill more of their places through the Clearing scramble.

It is too early to be sure that the second great postwar expansion of British higher education is grinding to a halt. (The first followed the Robbins report in the 1960s). With a single admissions system in operation for the first time, turbulence and uncertainty were inevitable this year. The true picture will not be known until the start of term, or even after. Maybe today's worries are just the result of early-autumn nerves.

But maybe not. One reason for pessimism is that the recent expansion was not planned. As a result, it has never been properly funded. Also, universities and colleges have had to cope with frequent changes of government policy. One year they were encouraged to take all the students they could get; the next, incentives were sharply reduced because the Treasury was concerned about costs running out of control.

The Robbins expansion was a solemn act of state, endorsed by all parties and implemented through coherent and sustained policies. It was strongly supported by public and academic opinion alike. It was the expression of a profound national consensus. The expansion of the old civic universities, the establishment of "new" universities like Sussex and Warwick and the creation of the former polytechnics were acts in a larger drama, the postwar modernisation of Britain.

The present expansion, as great in scale, is more shallowly rooted in the national consciousness. The bipartisan party support it has enjoyed has been insipid, detached, even indifferent. Academic support has been wobbly, especially in the original universities; public enthusiasm muted. The uncoordinated opportunism of higher education's new leadership class, the Armani-suited managers, has been no substitute for the public-spirited institution-building of a generation ago. There has been no Big Idea.

A second reason is that British higher education, in its present form, may have hit a ceiling. Perhaps only a third of young, and not-so-young, people are ever likely to be attracted to what is still, despite the brave experimentation of the former polytechnics, a fairly traditional system. Maybe we need a curricular revolution before the doors can be opened wider.

Third, there seems to have been a significant shift in the attitudes of students, and so of applicants, to jobs. Five years ago 18-year-olds, faced with the collapse of the school-leaver jobs market, saw staying on to higher education as both a good investment, the passport to a good job, and a neat delaying tactic, sitting out the recession. Today, faced with the after-effects of recession, higher graduate unemployment and long-term decline in the graduate "premium", young people may no longer see higher education as such a good bet — or buy.

Fourth, student life no longer seems so attractive. The recent crush of students has had an important psychological impact, even if teaching quality has not suffered. There is a palpable sense of a loss of intimacy, contact, community. Also, the economic status of students has collapsed. Poverty is growing, outside work is widespread, loans are feared, grants have been cut. These messages get back to the sixth forms through siblings or the youth telegraph.

Finally, the creation of a new wave of universities may have disorientated many would-be applicants. The top former polytechnics — Sheffield Hallam, West of England, Nottingham Trent — have certainly benefited from the university status which they had already earned. Those former polytechnics with a fierce commitment to providing opportunities for the disadvantaged, such as North London, have not been affected either. But the ones in between may be less fortunate, as they search, like post-imperial Britain in Dean Acheson's memorable phrase, for a new role.

Attitudes in British higher education's heartland, the civic universities of the North and Midlands, may be decisive in whether the momentum of reform is maintained. In a unified system they will set the tone, more than the obviously exceptional Oxford and Cambridge.

In the recent past reformers have got on top. They were able to argue that the "old" universities would lose out to the former polytechnics if they did not get moving and, in any case, there was no choice but to expand. Several of these universities have enthusiastically embraced growth, in an exhilarating rediscovery of their civic roots. But they have not been able to allow their research guard to slip, as competition in science and scholarship has intensified.

The Government's consolidation policy had already made that balancing act more difficult. Any sign that demand is slackening could tilt the balance in favour of home-grown consolidators who always felt uneasy about underfunded and unplanned expansion. The suggestion that mass higher education has been and gone would be welcome to many. They never liked the idea in the first place.

Nor are they entirely to blame, because no one bothered or was able to explain. The disadvantage of absent-mindedly acquiring a more open higher education system is that, when the going gets tough, whether from above like consolidation or below like the apparent dip in demand this summer, there may be no consensus, political, intellectual or moral, sufficiently robust to defend its gains.

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Three cheers for grammar schools

Mrs Shephard may not like them, but they certainly don't waste talent

THE REPORT that Gillian Shephard, the new Education Secretary, views grammar schools and selection as wasteful of talent has alarmed right-thinking educationists.

Let me say at the outset that if I thought she was right I would be a rabid comprehensivist, urging her to have the courage of her convictions and join Labour in the crusade to end selection. But of course, she could not be more wrong.

Perhaps she made the comment in an unguarded moment and will reflect on it. Much is made of the fact that Mrs Shephard has been a teacher, and even an adviser. We must, however, remember that any opinion, unbacked by evidence, is prejudice — from whomsoever it emanates. The fact that opinion poll after opinion poll has shown 70 per cent of teachers opposed to the elimination of grammar schools testifies to prejudice. The fact that 80 per cent of people interviewed in Birmingham are opposed to the closure of the city's grammar schools manifests prejudice. Of course a minister has to operate in the world of prejudices, but she has a special difficulty when her own fly in the face of those of the public.

VIEWPOINT



Fred Naylor

Mrs Shephard faces another difficulty. John Major, too, has his prejudices. In his first big speech on education in July 1991 he launched a vigorous attack on progressive education and the left-wing educational establishment. As a result he became embroiled in a marathon correspondence with Fred Jarvis, a former general secretary of the National Union of Teachers.

In the ninth letter of the series Mr Major opined that "the problem of low standards stems in large part from the nature of the comprehensive system which the Labour Party ushered in . . ." Under pressure from Mr Jarvis he was forced to retreat, declaring that Mr Jarvis's questions about comprehensive education "were based on the false premise that I was critical of comprehensive schools".

If Mr Major had stuck to his guns and used the evidence assembled by the Education Department under a previous administration he would have routed Mr Jarvis. Instead, Mr Major displayed two sets of prejudices largely at odds with each other. He stood in stark contrast to Margaret Thatcher, who in 1987 described grammar schools as the pride of our nation.

Both the grammar school and the comprehensive systems have their faults, of course. But in order to discover which is the more wasteful it is essential to compare directly the two systems operating side by side, after making due allowance for distortions due to socio-economic factors.

Comparisons between national standards at the beginning and end of a period of time are subject to the *post hoc ergo propter hoc* fallacy and therefore invalid. For example, if there has been a real — or notional — improvement of standards over time the only valid comparison is that between the improvements in the two sectors over the same period. The most authoritative comparison between the comprehensive and selective systems was that carried out, within a wider study of achievement, by the education ministry in the 1980s. When due allowance had been made for social background factors the examination achievements of 16-year-olds were significantly higher in local authorities which had retained selection. This was true for pupils right across the ability range.

Furthermore, the superiorities of the selective authorities were directly proportional to the degree of selection retained.

The same research showed that the authorities which spent more on teachers' salaries obtained significantly superior results. Selectivity and extra expenditure were alternative ways of boosting achievement. The equation further suggested that the cost of making all schools comprehensive would be £1 billion a year at today's prices.

IF Mrs Shephard has any evidence to support her charge that selection in education is wasteful, overriding her own department's findings, I challenge her to produce it. Prejudices can be comforting and may even win elections, but a minister concerned with the long-term competitiveness of Britain must formulate public policy on a sober assessment of the evidence.

Times Education plugs into the Internet

■ From today, material from *The Times* education pages will be available by personal computer through a new on-line service. Articles and listings will go out on the Internet, and a series of forums will allow readers to respond or raise their own topics for debate. The service will also provide access to databases and discussion networks all over the world.
Subscribers to Delphi, the world's largest provider of consumer access to the Internet, already receive a daily summary of the main items in *The Times*. This week's extension of the service will cover the infotech, media and travel sections, as well as education.
Universities have been regular users of the Internet for many years, and the increasingly sophisticated equipment coming into classrooms has encouraged schools to follow suit. The system, originally developed by the American military, now carries a wealth of educational material.
Academic libraries in Britain and the United States have been opened up to electronic search. Meanwhile, teachers are using the Internet as a curriculum resource, and some have set up ambitious twinning projects with schools in Eastern Europe and beyond.

■ Nicholas Mailer (a former pupil) and Bruce Dickson, a teacher, of Mill Hill School, in north London, have described the system's potential in *The UK School Internet Primer*, which is published this month. They recommend its use for administration, communication with parents as well as other schools, and as a source of advice on a host of issues.

■ *The Times*'s excursion onto the information superhighway is designed to involve parents and students, as well as education professionals, in debate on the issues of the day. There will be separate forums for primary, secondary and further and higher education, as well as more general discussion areas. The service will also guide the reader into American educational networks.
As well as the articles on this page, the new education database will carry final versions of the league tables of the top 500 state and independent schools, which were published in *The Times* on August 27 and September 3. They will include two schools omitted from the original tables: St Michael's Convent Grammar, in Finchley, north London, and Olchfa School, in Swansea.
St Michael's registered the top performance by a Catholic state school, with an average UCAS points score of 19.6 at A-level and almost 54 per cent of GCSE candidates achieving A grades. Olchfa scored an average of 16.9 points at A level and registered 25.3 per cent A grades at GCSE.
Other schools, including Rosemead School, in Littlehampton, West Sussex, and Queen's Gate School, in London, did not appear in the tables because they had fewer than 25 pupils taking GCSEs, or 15 taking A levels.

■ Delphi, which is owned by an associate company of *The Times*, is offering a trial period of five hours' free use for potential subscribers. The service is available by modem on 071 284 2424.

Easing the path of foreign pupils

A school within a school provides a painless introduction to the English way of education, reports **David Tytler**

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Advice for students from Ralph Mowat, principal of the International Study Centre at Sherborne

The traditional English boarding school has always been attractive to foreign parents but now foreign pupils are big business and new markets, particularly in Eastern Europe, are being opened up.

When boarding numbers began to fall, heads turned to foreign students to fill their empty places. But they soon became aware of the dangers: British parents do not want to see an overwhelming number of foreign pupils; parents from overseas do not want to send their children to schools where there are large numbers of their own compatriots. The school must retain the ethos that attracted parents in the first place.

Schools are now limiting overseas pupils to between 10 and 15 per cent of their total numbers and set out to provide "an international education". One of the problems is the standard of English offered by many potential students and it is not always possible to provide specialist tuition.

> 'We are now in a position to try to select on quality'

The International Study Centre at Sherborne School in Dorset prepares boys from overseas for admission to independent senior boarding schools in Britain. Originally opened in 1977, the centre, the only one of its kind, has been on a steady programme of expansion and moved into new premises in 1991.

Ralph Mowat, a teacher of modern foreign languages, a specialist in teaching English as a foreign language, and a former businessman involved in adult education, helped to set up the centre and became principal in 1979. His wife Diane is the vice-principal.

He says: "It is never easy for a boy to come from another country and integrate successfully into an English school. Time is often wasted in trying to understand the language, the everyday schoolwork and the culture. All our teachers take time to teach English, to explain the vocabulary needed for other subjects and to help every boy understand the way of life here."

The 91 boys who went through the centre in the last academic year came from 23 countries, including 19 from Hong Kong, 12 from Thailand, 10 from Japan, nine from Korea and seven from Russia. Two boys from Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan arrived at Sherborne, thanks to two businessmen who were opening up new markets in those countries. The aim is to have no more than 10 per cent of students from any one country.

"The demand from Hong Kong is very strong," says Mr Mowat, "and we are now in a position to try to select on quality and by making it absolutely clear what we expect, in terms of motivation, hard work and respect for school rules.

"In Thailand we have an extremely high reputation among the top businessmen and among, so far, the outer members of the royal family, but this is likely to develop closer to the royal centre. In Japan I am told that the study centre is becoming known as the school for Japanese foreign office children overseas. Certainly the fathers of some of our current and recent pupils hold key positions in Japanese embassies such as Washington and Moscow."

As well as Sherborne, study centre pupils have gone on to 25 other schools, including Charterhouse, Downside, Haileybury, Harrow, Marlborough and Rugby. One boy accepted by Eton achieved four grade As at A level, was an Oppidan Scholar, and went on to Cambridge.

The study centre is really a school within a school: its pupils wear the same uniform as Sherborne and join in many activities with the school, but they have their own boarding house and specialist teachers.

Courses for the pupils aged between 10 and 16 can be for one or two years or even a term, depending on their age and progress. Classes are usually of about six boys of a similar standard. In addition to at least 12 English lessons a week, boys study mathematics, the three sciences, history, geography, French, art and design, and technology. In addition to the GCSE, boys sit Cambridge University English examinations. There are one and a half hours of homework Monday to Friday. Saturday morning school and two hours of prep on Sundays.

The centre moved into new premises in 1991 with a new boarding house providing 30 single and 17 double study bedrooms. Younger boys share two six-bed dormitories. The annual fees of £14,550 (£4,850 a term) are high, mostly because of the small classes, but profits are used to allow Sherborne to offer scholarships. Once pupils have reached a suitable standard the centre acts as a clearing house to find appropriate schools, advising parents, talking to heads of other schools and providing confidential reports. A member of the centre staff accompanies boys when they attend interviews, to smooth the continuation of schooling.

Mr Mowat believes that both boys and receiving schools benefit from the centre's work. Peter Lapping, headmaster of Sherborne, agrees: "Boys from the centre have fitted into the school very easily. They work hard and have done well — one has become head boy, captain of rugby and captain of cricket.

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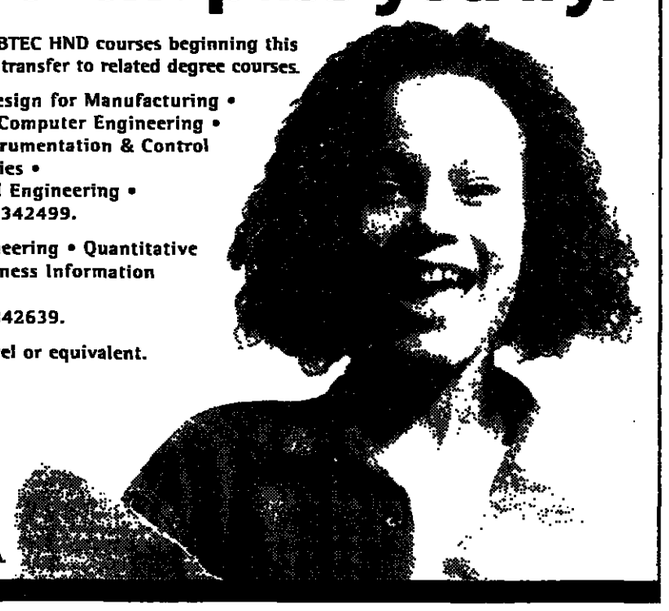
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BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,175.80	Abbey Ntl	394½†	-1½	...	4.9	13.3
1,619.80	Allied Irish	245†	-12	...	5.1	9.4
2,475.60	Ans New Z	186	...	...	5.1	28.3
10,807.10	Bankamerica	3087½	-49⅞	...	...	...
1,323.30	Bk of Ireland	280	-5	...	4.7	8.1
2,275.70	Bank Scotland	196	-11½	...	3.2	15.9
9,540.10	Barclays	586†	+1	...	3.6	18.1
23.60	Carlisle	28½	...	...	1.1	...
170.50	Cater Allen	523	-18	...	6.7	10.8
159.80	Cattles	144†	-6½	...	4.6	15.7
4,229.10	Chase Manh	2287½	-112½	...	...	...
11,191.80	Citicorp	2875	-31½	...	...	...
199.80	Close Bros	221	-1½	...	3.6	12.0
4,360.10	Commerzbk	£133½	-350	...	6.2	...
13,688.10	Deutsche Bk	£287½	-1512½	...	2.4	...
124.90	First Nat Fin	74	+3	...	2.5	...
38,481.00	Fuji Bank Y	1328½	-19½	...	0.4	∞
234.30	Gerrard Nat	482	-11	22.0	5.7	13.9
6,047.80	HSBC	711½	-36½	...	4.3	10.3
12,810.00	HSBC HK	732†	-36	...	4.2	10.6
487.70	Hambros	276	-21	...	6.8	11.3
22.00	Joseph (L)	418	+3	...	5.2	12.2
22.60	King Shaxson	130	-2	...	8.7	12.8
658.50	Kleinwort Ben	494†	-25	...	4.9	8.7
7,141.90	Lloyds	551½	-½	...	5.2	10.9
71.80	Lon Scot Bk	118	+1	...	3.8	17.9
6,612.80	Nat Aust Bk	494	...	...	5.6	10.5
8,050.30	Nat West	483½	-25½	...	5.0	9.0
719.80	Provident	538†	+½	...	4.1	17.1
25.60	Rea Bros	65†	...	...	1.8	16.7
3,266.10	Ryl Bk Scot	408	-13	...	3.7	18.4
1,581.50	Schroders	1574†	+47	...	1.5	14.4
2,490.60	Stand Chart	255†	-16	...	3.1	8.8
3,328.90	TSB	217½	-3½	...	4.6	11.0
29.30	Union	130†	-4	...	5.1	10.2
1,598.70	Warburg SG	730	-32	...	3.8	8.9
5,477.50	Wells Fargo	9887½	-256½	...	2.7	...
3,913.80	Westpac	215	...	...	2.5	∞
23.60	Wintrust	228†	-7	...	4.6	18.6

BREWERIES

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,875.00	Allied-Lyons	571½	-28½	...	4.9	14.0
4,756.80	Bass	545½	-26½	...	4.8	14.3
323.90	Boddington	267†	-10½	...	3.9	18.3
215.20	Bulmer (HP)	410	-4	...	3.3	23.6
39.00	Burtonwd Brw	192	...	...	3.3	16.0
31.00	Eldridge P 'A'▲	159	+1	...	2.9	22.1
1,834.70	Fosters Brewing	57	...	...	4.9	∞
82.40	Fullr Sm 'A'▲	404	-5	...	2.4	16.7
8,596.50	Grand Met	412½†	-2½	...	4.0	17.9
923.80	Greenalls Grp	442	-12	...	3.6	16.9
220.00	Greene King	520	-8	...	3.1	14.5
9,243.40	Guinness	458½	-11½	...	3.5	14.8
61.80	Hardy Hansn	263	-1	...	4.2	13.5
3.94	Heavitree▲	170	...	...	3.0	15.3
545.70	Highland Distl	429	-6	...	2.0	20.3
111.40	Holt J	3713	-30	...	1.6	20.9
235.30	Macallan-Glen	202	-1	...	0.7	55.7
80.60	Macdn Mrtn 'A'	695	-20	...	1.7	28.6
151.30	Mansfield	236	-7	...	2.3	14.4
276.30	Marstn Thmp	307	-7	...	2.4	15.9
146.60	Matthew Clark	643†	+7	...	3.5	14.3
14.60	Mrrydwn W	120†	-3	...	2.6	...
105.40	Morland	488	-2	...	2.6	16.3
8.54	Paramount	8½	...	...	2.2	15.7
35.60	Regent Inns	242	-1	...	2.1	24.6
3,430.70	SA Breweries	1240½	+12½	...	2.2	20.3
2,660.00	Scot & New	500	-17	...	4.3	14.8
172.90	Taunton Cider	158†	-14	...	5.2	12.1
350.40	Vaux Group	251	-14	...	4.8	16.2
142.60	Wetherspoon JD	394	+3	...	1.8	26.0
2,824.20	Whitbread	540	-11	...	4.4	15.7
373.30	Wolvrhmptn D	563	+4	...	2.9	15.8
66.40	Yates Bros	171	...	...	2.2	21.1
14.50	Young 'A'	500	-3	...	3.8	19.2

BUILDING, ROADS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
58.10	Abbey	150†	-15	...	1.7	∞
12.30	Albrighton	17†	...	...	3.7	16.3
55.20	Allen	178	-1	...	3.7	21.1
226.50	Amec	112	-4	...	3.4	63.8
130.60	Ashtead▲	434†	+16	...	1.6	27.4
311.30	Atwoods	110	-1	...	5.7	...
1,434.10	BPB Ind	257	-24	...	3.5	19.4
48.40	Baggeridge Brk	122	-11	...	3.2	23.0
3.66	Bailey (Ben) Con	35†	+½	...	2.5	21.4
6.54	Barcom	35	+8	...	6.2	4.2
243.70	Barlon	44	-1	...	5.8	...
331.80	Barratt Devs	183	-28	...	3.4	19.7
365.10	Beazer Homes	130	-15	...	4.8	11.4
196.60	Bellway	201	-17	...	3.9	18.9
19.60	Bellwinch	47½	-½	...	...	∞
298.60	Berisford Intl	200	-4	...	...	...
395.30	Berkeley Gp	383	-45	...	2.3	15.9
27.60	Bett Bros	184	+3	...	1.9	9.2
17.60	Blockleys	71	-1	...	1.8	...
2,089.40	Blue Circle	287	-6	...	5.0	20.1
71.80	Boot (Henry)	275	-3	...	3.0	14.0
11.00	Brandon Hire	78†	...	...	2.4	∞
26.20	Breedon PLC	92	-2	...	6.2	26.3
24.20	Br Dredging	138	-6	...	5.2	17.3
22.60	Brit Fittings	95	+7	...	3.0	...
375.20	Bryant	135	-11	...	4.4	20.5
55.00	CALA	128	-2	...	2.8	∞
1,310.60	CRH	373†	-11½	...	2.6	18.9
2.52	Cakebread Rby	68	-5	...	...	...
123.00	Costain	23½	-½	...	...	...
99.20	Countryside	130	-16	...	4.0	28.9
89.40	Crest Nicholson	90†	-3	...	2.2	16.7
21.40	Cussins	120	-1	...	3.6	14.3
11.50	Edmond Hldgs	22½	-1	...	1.7	...
69.80	Epwin	323†	-2	...	3.1	19.2
34.60	Erith	73	...	...	1.7	41.1
32.10	Eve Group▲	328	...	...	4.2	∞
33.00	Galliford	36	...	...	3.5	...
1.71	Gibbs & Dandy	98†	-1½	...	3.4	...
85.60	Gleeson (MJ)	848	-10	...	1.9	14.8
196.00	Graham Grp	171	-13	...	3.4	16.2
348.20	Hewden-Stuart	152	-5	...	3.4	22.5
6.70	Hewetson	72†	...	...	2.2	...
317.40	Heywd Wlm	331	-12	...	5.2	18.4
60.20	Higgs & Hill	91	-4	...	3.4	...
15.00	How Gp	36	...	...	2.6	...
6.66	Howard Hldgs	36†	...	...	3.8	∞
194.10	Ibstock	77½	-1½	...	1.6	...
3.25	Jarvis	9	...	...	...	...
72.20	Keller	129	+3	...	3.7	14.9
113.60	Laing (J)	248	-21	...	4.6	22.1
40.80	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	101½	-7	...	7.9	...
11.70	Ln Clydesdale▲	129	+2	...	4.7	17.9
34.30	Lovell (YJ)	86	-5	...	...	...
136.60	Manders	344	-5	...	3.7	16.6
404.10	Marley	141†	-9	...	3.7	16.7
171.10	Marshalls	140†	-7	...	3.8	17.1
58.80	Maunders (J)	235	-8	...	2.8	22.7
137.50	McAlpine (A)	199	-12	...	4.1	29.2
59.00	McCarthy & S	60	-4	...	1.0	...
487.20	Meyer Intl	387	-28	...	3.5	16.3
183.30	Mowlem (J)	106	+3	...	2.4	...
63.00	NSM	105	-4	...	...	12.1
199.50	Newman Tnks	165	-10	...	4.9	20.5
287.10	Persimmon	346†	-15	...	4.7	18.4
4.53	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
16.10	Pochins	1550	...	29.0	2.4	22.0
100.00	Prowting	129	...	...	3.3	39.6
1,845.90	RMC Gp	937	-48	...	2.8	26.5
129.80	Raine Ind	69	-6½	...	3.6	15.0
5.28	Ramus▲	22	-3	...	...	...
2,995.30	Redland	502	-24	...	6.2	26.3
15.60	Roskel	104	-3	4.3	5.4	...
788.00	Rugby Group	124†	-7½	...	3.5	16.7
5.53	Secure Retire	35	...	...	...	...
10.20	Severfield-Rees▲	65	...	0.7	1.5	30.3
39.90	Sharpe & Fisher	193	-2	...	2.9	20.9
200.30	Sheffield Insl	272	-2	...	2.6	21.7
38.00	Sheriff Hldgs▲	361	...	...	1.5	24.0
4.82	Shorco▲	155†	...	...	4.3	28.0
22.70	Smart (J)	225	...	...	4.7	19.4
5.88	Stanmin	1½	...	...	...	...
1,296.80	Tarmac	141	-15½	...	4.9	...
47.00	Tay Homes	161	-13	...	4.7	17.3
548.10	Taylor Woodrw	131	-7	...	1.7	31.8
185.20	Tilbury Dougls	548	-32	...	7.5	37.6
5.96	Torex Hire▲	58†	...	...	2.6	...
296.30	Travis Perkins	289	-30	...	3.5	23.4
12.50	Trencherwood	15	-2	...	...	...
17.30	Try Group	35	-2	...	2.6	...
2.62	Tudor▲	21	-1	...	1.3	...
50.00	Vibroplant	108½	-2	...	4.1	21.7
83.40	Wainhomes	134	-5	...	3.9	14.5
32.10	Ward Hldgs	61†	-4	...	1.0	...
1.52	Waterhouse	61	...	...	...	...
112.10	Watts Blake	539	+5	...	2.8	23.2
100.40	Westbury	151	-2	...	4.3	16.8
24.50	Wiggins	9	-½	...	...	...
354.00	Wilson Bowdn	379	-29	...	3.2	14.2
373.90	Wilson (C)	197	-14	...	2.7	19.1
523.30	Wimpey G	145†	-12	...	4.5	21.7
2.51	YRM	19	-4	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
965.00	ADT	695	-20	...	...	...
20.50	Adam & Harvey	478	...	...	3.9	6.6
5.67	Air London	64	+1	...	6.8	14.0
3.62	African Lakes	95	...	...	1.1	...
110.00	Astro Sec	92	-2	...	...	11.9
957.90	BET Ord	102½	-3	...	4.0	17.1
29.80	BNB Res	156	-1	...	3.3	21.7
59.40	BPP	226†	-1	...	4.9	16.2
41.50	BSM	149	...	...	4.8	12.7
33.00	Barbour Index	195†	-2	...	5.4	∞
6.47	Black & Edgn▲	1½	...	...	...	...
41.70	Brit Data Mgt	179	-19	...	3.9	∞
4.14	Broadcastle▲	35	-½	...	4.8	12.4
8.43	Brooks Service	70	-2	...	2.7	...
61.90	CAT Gp	92‡	+2½	...	4.4	32.6
41.60	Capita Group	174†	-½	...	2.0	22.2
32.50	Casket Plc	34½	-½	...	4.0	11.7
21.80	Chiltern Capital	21	-½	...	...	...
13.10	Christie	56	-2	...	...	...
945.40	Chubb Sec	338	-½	...	2.3	20.8
35.20	Corp Services	63	...	...	0.5	27.7
17.80	Crown Cstng	33	-3	...	1.0	...
22.50	Dart	147	-2	...	3.1	15.7
264.50	Davis Service	239	...	...	4.3	16.7
24.60	EW Facts	135	-2	...	4.4	10.2
20.90	Gardiner	16½	...	...	4.8	9.3
1,131.70	Hays	249	-12	...	2.5	21.0
159.20	Hogg Robinsn	230	-14	...	3.9	16.1
11.40	Holmes Protectn	2½	...	...	...	1.6
11,237.00	Hutch Whamp	311½	-5	...	1.8	22.4
462.40	ISS B DKr	1781½	-112½	...	5.8	1.9
2,182.40	Inchcape	415	-21	...	4.5	13.2
45.00	JBA Hldgs	148	-7	...	2.0	15.0
127.90	Johnson Clean	259†	-15	...	5.2	10.5
60.00	Lep	6½	...	...	...	...
40.60	Mine Gp	385†	-3	...	1.5	22.5
1,303.50	Manpower	1753½	+12½	...	0.7	...
67.00	Michael Page	112	+6	...	2.6	27.3
51.70	Parity	141	+2	...	2.0	30.6
4.10	Penna▲	45	...	...	5.0	...
63.20	Proudfoot	50	-5	...	5.6	19.3
31.80	RCO	298†	-2	...	6.4	10.3
9.95	REA	121	+1	...	6.1	46.9
89.10	Reed Executive	174†	+2	1.0	0.7	...
34.40	Reliance Sec▲	193†	+12	...	3.8	∞
2,280.80	Rentokil	234	+4½	...	1.6	24.0
21.00	Rolfe & Nolan	190	-5	...	2.6	29.6
843.00	Salvesen (C)	291	-5	...	3.5	15.2
7.15	Scott Pickford▲	61	-4	...	1.8	∞
29.00	Select Appt▲	13½	...	...	...	...
178.20	Serco Gp	300†	+½	...	1.5	27.3
7.07	Sherwd Cmpt▲	115	-8	...	1.9	...
61.50	Sketchley	99	-8	...	4.0	15.5
78.10	Warner Howrd	325	-1	...	2.8	15.0
30.50	Wills Gp	22½	-1½	...	2.8	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
721.70	Allied Colloids	137	+5	...	2.1	22.0
571.20	Amersham	909	-17	...	2.0	20.7
18.40	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
7,659.40	BASF DM	£131½	-40½	...	7.2	...
424.90	BTP	314	-13	...	4.0	19.9
10,148.30	Bayer DM50	£151½	-550	...	6.0	...
86.90	Blagden	120	-6	...	1.6	56.1
80.70	Brent Chems	119½	+1½	...	4.2	...
248.60	Brit Biotech	530	+52	...	...	...
4.43	Caird Gp	7½	+½	...	...	21.5
55.50	Canning (W)	196	+7	...	4.7	32.7
1,931.60	Courtaulds	481	-26	...	3.8	38.8
487.70	Croda	369½	-2½	...	2.9	28.9
12.70	Dueflex	116	-5	...	5.0	13.1
220.70	Ellis & Everard	265†	-3	...	3.6	19.6
17.20	Euro Colour	57	...	...	2.5	20.3
116.30	Halstead (J)	189	-1	...	2.2	18.2
304.90	Hickson	173†	-½	...	5.8	15.5
8,691.30	Hoechst	£147	-80½	...	5.0	...
240.60	Holliday Chem	239†	...	...	2.3	19.5
6,034.50	ICI	837½	+9½	...	4.1	67.3
1,448.50	Laporte	756	-19	...	3.4	30.5
146.50	Leigh	222†	-5	...	4.4	20.3
32.30	MTM	87†	-3	...	0.7	...
5,298.10	Norsk Hydro	2312½	-165½	...	1.4	∞
122.00	Patrsn Zoch	499	...	...	3.2	13.1
111.10	-do- 'A'	483	-1	...	3.3	12.7
90.40	Plysu	190	...	...	4.6	27.2
48.00	Porvair	310	-5	...	1.8	23.1
18.60	Sutcliffe Speak	33†	-2	...	1.9	19.6
103.30	Wardle Storeys	415	...	...	5.2	21.7
57.00	Wlsnhlme R	770	-5	...	3.0	19.2
193.30	Yorks Chem	422†	-7	...	2.4	18.2
298.80	Yule Catto	298	-18	...	2.6	22.6
7,667.30	Zeneca	810½	-13½	...	4.3	16.3

DRAPERY, STORES

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
224.70	Alders	218	-10	...	3.5	16.3
1,016.70	Argos Plc	339	-10½	...	3.1	17.7
155.00	Ashley (Laura)	66	-6	...	0.2	...
140.60	Asprey	183	-17	...	4.1	9.1
74.50	Austin Reed	241	...	...	2.9	13.5
66.30	Beattie (J) 'A'	142	...	...	5.5	15.2
54.50	Bentalls	120	...	...	1.9	48.7
51.50	Betterware	50	-24	...	6.5	5.4
12.70	Blacks Leis	40†	...	...	7.0	...
378.80	Body Shop	200	-16	...	1.2	18.8
5,496.60	Boots	527	-1	...	3.6	20.8
21.20	Brown & Jcksn	3½	-½	...	...	...
382.50	Brown (N)	262	+7	...	1.9	25.2
857.90	Burton	61	-3	...	4.1	...
29.00	Cantors	192	...	...	2.6	∞
54.50	Church	505	...	...	3.2	28.8
17.30	Clinton Cards	102	-2	...	5.8	8.8
1,411.40	Coats Viyella	202½	-13½	...	5.2	17.3
20.70	C'ty Casuals	108	-44	...	5.0	11.0
181.90	Courts Furnish	774†	...	...	1.0	39.4
1.07	Crown Eye▲	102†	-8	...	6.2	8.3
1,630.00	Dairy Farm Intl	95½	-5½	...	1.7	13.4
172.80	Dewhirst (IJ)	136½	-4½	...	1.6	24.7
766.40	Dixons Grp	193†	-13	...	4.3	20.5
10.70	ERA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
13.40	Eclipse Blinds	9½	-½	...	2.5	...
6.96	Elys (Wimbldn)	580	...	...	3.8	∞
22.50	Essex Furn	197	-7	...	2.4	31.5
212.50	Etam	324	...	...	2.9	23.0
408.90	Fine Art Dev	513	-5	14.3	3.5	15.9
2.74	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
16.50	Forminster	723†	...	...	2.8	∞
43.30	French Conn▲	271	-3	...	...	15.3
28.20	Gent SR	78	+9	...	3.7	∞
27.20	Goldsmiths Gp	128	...	...	1.1	22.2
5,442.50	GUS	541	-20	...	3.1	15.6
42.30	Hamleys	185	-2	...	3.2	17.8
4.19	Hampden Grp▲	28	-2	...	4.5	...
58.20	Harlstone	18	-½	...	2.2	...
6.17	Honeysuckle▲	74	+1	...	4.2	10.9
493.60	Hse of Fraser	215	-12	...	2.9	19.4
18.20	Jacques Vert	191†	-10	...	2.9	16.8
3,348.30	Kingfisher	487	-1	...	3.9	11.8
33.60	Leslie Wise Gp	68†	...	...	7.4	14.3
78.40	Liberty	350	-38	...	1.7	43.4
366.70	Lloyds Chem	310	-4	...	3.2	10.3
803.30	MFI	138†	-5	...	3.6	17.3
11,347.20	Marks Spencer	407	...	...	2.8	18.9
328.70	Menzies (John)	593	-2	...	2.5	14.4
54.80	Moss Bros	328	...	...	2.7	16.0
904.90	Next	243	-18½	...	3.5	17.8
22.20	Oliver (G)	88	+2	...	...	27.2
156.20	Oriflame Intl	292†	-9	...	4.5	13.2
70.50	Pentos	27	...	...	...	...
68.30	QS Hldgs	173	...	...	3.8	20.4
26.90	Rhino Grp▲	32	...	...	2.0	11.6
36.40	Rosebys	154†	-1	...	3.9	18.0
128.80	Sherwood Gp	115	-1	...	3.2	11.4
1,742.30	Sears	115	-2½	...	4.0	19.6
96.70	Signet Group	33	+1½	...	...	10.7
1,323.30	Smith WH	475†	-24	...	4.1	24.5
1.71	Specialeyes▲	11	-1	...	...	...
831.60	Storehouse	200	-16	...	3.4	17.8
121.40	T & S Stores	190	-1	...	4.0	14.1
70.70	Tie Rack	137	...	...	1.6	16.3
123.00	Time Products	232	+4	...	4.6	18.0
8.45	Usher (Frank)▲	122	+13	...	7.4	∞
3,627.80	Vendome	519†	-10	...	1.3	39.9
19.90	Vivat	36	...	...	4.3	9.3
53.80	WEW Group	37	+1	...	2.0	27.3
6.81	Wensum▲	91	-5	...	2.7	32.1
345.80	Wickes	93	-4	...	1.8	20.8
7.15	Wld of Leather▲	89	-1	...	1.1	...
56.20	Wyevale	144	+3	...	4.1	14.9

ELECTRICALS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
213.30	ACT Group	115	-4	...	5.7	10.8
31.60	Acal▲	278	+2	...	3.0	17.4
73.90	Admiral	648†	...	...	1.3	19.9
92.60	Alba	198	...	...	3.2	16.0
11.60	Alphameric	43	-2	...	...	32.8
174.40	Amstrad	30	-1½	...	2.1	...
24.00	App Holo▲	109	-1	...	...	...
24.50	Arlen	33	+3	...	...	...
271.60	Aster	88†	-3½	...	1.3	21.8
37.90	Azlan	173	+1	...	2.2	14.0
28.50	Beales Hunter	268†	+4	...	4.5	∞
1,345.70	BICC	381	-19	...	6.4	23.6
135.70	Blick	445	...	...	2.9	17.9
27.20	Borland	800	-100	...	...	...
578.80	Bowthorpe	311	-19	...	2.8	17.4
23,448.40	BT	376½	-12½	...	5.5	13.1
4,593.30	BT P/P	256½	-13	...	5.5	13.1
4.94	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19	-½	...	1.6	13.8
26.40	Burnfield	77	...	...	3.0	59.1
8,773.90	Cable Wireless	401	-18	...	2.6	17.0
67.90	Chloride	28½	-1	...	...	79.7
69.60	CML Micro	268	...	...	2.8	17.1
39.60	Comptr People	205	+1	...	1.5	46.5
408.10	Cray Elect	184	-6	...	1.5	∞
64.00	Critchley	457	-5	...	2.2	20.5
713.30	Delta	480	-19	...	3.8	21.2
26.30	Denmans El▲	603	-5	...	1.4	16.8
144.20	Domino	544	-6	...	2.0	23.4
102.30	Dowding Mills	69	-7	...	4.7	∞
96.00	Druck▲	1500†	+15	...	0.9	27.9
981.60	Electrocomponts	467	-16	...	2.5	20.4
41.40	El Data Prc	158	...	...	1.5	14.6
41.30	Electron House	163†	-5	...	2.5	16.8
35.50	Emess	33½	-3	...	0.4	...
333.20	Eurotherm	374†	-27	...	1.7	22.1
774.20	FKI	173†	-10	...	2.7	20.0
72.60	Farnell Elec	541	-19	...	1.7	22.2
53.80	First Tech	346†	...	...	1.3	∞
17.30	Forward Gp▲	210	-5	...	3.0	12.6
16.80	Forward Tech	49½	+1½	...	0.6	...
7,985.40	GEC	286†	-2½	...	4.7	14.5
104.50	Graseby	162†	+3½	...	4.6	15.2
30.80	Graystone	14½	+½	...	0.9	...
57.90	Ind Control	145	...	...	3.9	12.9
60.20	Jones Stroud	348†	+15	...	3.2	16.6
52.90	Kalamazoo	139	-1	...	3.0	15.7
4.39	Kembrey	16	...	...	1.2	...
139.80	Kenwood App	381	-3	...	3.0	18.3
31.80	Kewill Sys▲	262†	-1	...	2.4	∞
4.61	Kode	49	...	...	10.2	...
3.54	Laser-Scan▲	22	...	...	...	...
22.50	LBMS▲	103	...	...	...	...
21.50	Lec Refrig	355	...	...	3.2	...
240.80	Life Sciences	139†	-6	...	3.7	13.8
198.40	Logica	321	+17	...	2.0	∞
4.13	LPA Ind▲	46	...	...	4.3	...
72.20	MR Data Mngmt	130	-1	...	5.3	14.5
114.70	Macro 4	503	-40	...	5.1	∞
127.20	Memtr-Sw	259†	+3	...	2.0	∞
118.10	Micro Focus	820	-33	...	...	9.9
51.20	Microgen	130	+1	...	7.0	13.0
3.66	Microvitec▲	38	-3	...	...	...
206.70	Misys	437†	+1	...	2.3	∞
188.90	Mitel	239	+5	...	...	...
20.10	MMT Comp▲	179	...	...	3.0	18.3
57.40	MTL Instr	319	...	...	1.6	20.6
33.40	Murray Ent	126‡	-2	...	2.0	...
10,057.90	NYNEX	2406½	-12½	...	...	...
20.20	Neotronics	78	...	...	4.2	16.9
2.23	Newmark (L)	48	-1	...	...	...
32.50	Norbain▲	438†	+6	...	0.6	∞
15.80	Northamber	93†	-2	...	1.1	30.5
6.59	Oceonics	4½	-1½	...	...	...
9.90	Orbis	26	-1	0.5	2.5	∞
160.20	Oxford Inst	329†	+9	...	1.9	19.4
54.00	P & P	69‡	-5	...	3.9	17.1
105.10	Peek	88	-1	...	4.9	22.4
10.90	Pegasus	175†	-1	...	3.6	17.6
14.80	Philips Fn 4%	£115	...	...	5.0	...
6,842.40	-do- Lmp	2065½	+100	...	0.9	9.4
95.10	Phonelink▲	268	-3	...	...	...
34.10	Pilco	359†	+1	...	1.6	24.6
23.70	-do- 'A' Voting	344†	+1	...	1.6	23.6
6.27	Plasmec	135	...	...	3.5	...
30.80	Pressac	125	-1	...	2.6	25.5
61.50	Psion▲	283†	-4	...	1.3	19.8
658.20	Racal Elect	235	-13	...	2.3	19.3
8.30	Radamec	45	...	...	4.7	13.6
12.50	Radius▲	45	+1	...	1.0	...
11.80	Real Time▲	169†	-1	...	3.0	∞
125.50	Roxboro	232	-29	...	1.0	17.0
127.50	Sage Gp	610	+15	...	2.1	16.4
34.40	Sanderson Elec	89	...	...	4.0	...
11.70	Scantronic	32	-2	...	3.3	∞
97.20	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	0.5	∞
396.80	Sema Gp	429	+4	...	1.0	25.8
26.20	Servomex	262	+12	...	3.1	29.4
25.60	Silvermines	40†	+1	...	2.5	23.8
6.97	Soundtracks▲	65†	...	...	4.4	15.4
3,695.10	TDK	2809½	-15½	...	1.1	∞
1.22	TDS Circuits▲	13½	-½	...	...	...
78.70	Telemetrix	86	-5	...	1.5	11.0
93.60	Telspec	295†	+8½	...	1.1	35.6
4,277.00	THORN EMI	1094†	-24	...	4.2	20.3
25.70	Thorpe FW	207	+2	...	1.7	18.5
3.12	Total Systems▲	31	+5	...	...	32.2
81.00	Tunstall	247	...	...	1.8	17.7
231.50	Unitech	336†	...	...	2.4	26.3
20.40	Verity	10	...	...	...	...
31.20	Vistec▲	24½	+1	...	2.0	13.3
5,675.30	Vodafone	186½	-14½	...	1.9	24.4
112.60	Volex	425†	-7	...	5.3	18.6
3.91	Western Selecta	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
37.60	Wholesale Ftgs	265†	-½	11.7	5.5	∞

ELECTRICITY

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,581.20	East Midlands	721†	-21	...	3.9	56.9
1,479.90	Eastern Elect	767†	-5	...	3.7	16.8
1,407.80	Hydro-Elect	307†	-15	...	4.3	11.6
1,500.50	London Elect	688	-12	...	4.1	10.5
987.10	Manweb	833	-14	...	3.7	10.0
1,635.70	Midlands Elec	773†	-35	...	3.8	11.9
6,046.30	National Powr	472	-4	...	3.3	11.7
974.80	Northern Elec	788†	-18	...	3.9	9.9
609.00	Nthn Ireland	370†	-7	...	3.5	10.1
1,365.10	Norweb	790†	-11	...	3.6	10.4
4,236.50	PowerGen	599	-32	...	2.9	11.8
3,184.50	Scottish Power	378†	-10	...	4.1	12.0
1,102.50	Seeboard	427	-13	...	3.4	11.3
924.40	Sth Wales	813	-6	...	3.9	11.0
940.80	Sth Western	763†	-19	...	3.8	10.1
2,014.00	Southern Elec	745†	-3	...	3.8	11.6
1,530.40	Yorkshire Elec	734†	-35	...	4.0	14.3

FINANCE, LAND

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
23.60	Aitken Hume	51†	...	...	2.5	...
20.20	BWD▲	106†	-3	...	5.0	8.7
32.30	Baltic Pk	118	-1	...	1.6	13.1
69.00	Blotec Inv	165	-3	...	...	...
948.30	Caledonia	730	-31	...	2.8	17.8
16.20	Camellia	2650	...	...	1.5	7.1
73.20	Candover	378	-2	...	4.2	...
253.70	Exco	206	-2	...	5.1	11.2
271.90	Govett	387	-1	...	4.7	6.4
66.30	Ivory Sime	227	-2	...	4.1	17.7
25.20	Johnson Fry	168	-20	1.5	1.1	...
176.40	Lon Forfaiting▲	175	+11	...	6.4	10.7
10.00	Manakin	49	...	...	...	...
17.10	Nat Home Loan	16½	-½	...	...	0.4
19.90	Newmarket	56	-1	...	...	...
53.60	Rathbone Brs	275†	-2	...	3.9	14.4
66.90	Rutland Tst	27	+1	...	4.2	13.5
40.10	S & U	340	-15	...	4.1	11.0
167.00	Storer & Fried	86	...	...	4.7	10.9
279.50	Sothebys	825†	...	...	3.4	35.6
369.50	SJP Capital	135	-9	...	2.8	8.3
25.60	Towry Law	107	-2	...	3.4	16.4

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
9,960.30	Amer Express	2012½	+62½	...	...	...
29.60	Brewin Dolphin	144†	-7	...	5.0	10.6
352.70	Gartmore	175†	-6	...	2.9	20.2
198.40	Henderson Ad	923	-27	...	6.0	14.7
426.90	Invesco	167†	-7½	...	2.8	27.4
2,543.30	Jardine Strat	269½	-9½	...	2.9	11.4
908.20	MAI	278½	-8½	...	3.1	15.2
	MAI 5.9% Cv Pf	105	-2½	...	...	...
1,143.00	MAM	629	-34	...	4.5	14.7
743.80	M & G	993	-59	...	3.5	20.8
266.90	Smith New Crt	427	-8½	...	2.9	3.6
17.30	Trio Hldgs	31	-2	...	6.0	14.1

FOODS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2,529.00	AB Food	562†	-7	...	3.3	11.0
1,913.30	ASDA Group	66†	+1½	...	3.3	15.1
98.20	Acatos & Hutch	293	-6	...	3.6	11.7
360.90	Albert Fisher	51	+2	...	9.2	11.3
3,265.40	Argyll	290	+12	...	5.0	12.7
52.30	Banks (S C)	260†	...	...	4.7	10.0
70.10	Barr (AG)	371	+1	...	2.3	23.9
9.56	Bensons Crsp▲	52	+1	...	5.2	17.2
966.40	Booker	452	+6	...	6.2	15.8
29.80	Borthwick	51½	...	...	3.2	22.0
213.10	Brake Bros	417	-4	...	2.0	15.5
47.20	Budgen	29†	...	...	4.3	18.4
20.10	CPL Aromas	185	...	...	2.0	17.7
3,831.80	Cadbury-Schw	460	+3	...	4.2	15.1
12.70	Carrs Milling	186	...	...	3.0	∞
22.80	Cranswick	164	...	...	6.3	13.7
4.21	Cullens	16	+1½	...	...	...
13.80	Dalepak	119†	...	...	1.6	∞
1,070.40	Dalgety	466	-10	...	5.8	12.0
4.48	Daniels S	54	...	...	0.7	...
313.20	Devro	232	-22	...	3.4	15.5
15.20	Everest	60	-13	...	5.5	∞
79.20	Farepak	350†	...	...	2.4	19.9
1.57	Faringford	6	...	...	...	...
79.80	Finlay (James)	80	+4	...	6.7	14.5
276.30	Fyffes	98	-4	...	1.8	16.8
151.50	Geest	211	-39	8.1	4.8	...
19.30	Global▲	16	...	...	3.9	14.6
19.00	Grand Central	48	...	...	...	...
325.10	Hazlewood Fds	140†	+12	...	6.0	8.5
1,255.10	Hillsdown	181	+4	...	6.2	12.7
84.00	Hobson	21½	-½	...	...	...
456.30	Iceland Group	166	+2	...	3.0	10.5
41.90	JLI Group	101	-1	...	5.9	14.2
939.60	Kwik Save	607	-1	...	3.8	10.6
196.30	Low (Wm)	362	+5	...	2.9	12.2
150.20	Matthews (B)	121	-1	...	2.6	19.3
10.60	Merchant Retail	12½	...	...	2.0	...
1,039.70	Morrison (W)	145½	+2½	...	0.9	17.0
56.20	Nichols (JN)	243†	-½	...	3.0	15.6
1,201.10	Nthn Foods	209†	-½	...	5.3	10.2
7.99	Nthmbrn Fn▲	13	-1	...	...	...
275.50	Nurdin Peack	185	...	...	4.5	10.1
208.00	Park Foods	131†	+1	...	2.3	26.5
95.00	Perkins Food	77	-2	...	7.4	12.6
66.80	PizzaExpress	185	-2	...	0.5	26.4
3.50	Regina Hlth▲	2½	...	...	...	...
7,870.40	Sainsbury J	437	-7	...	3.0	15.4
3.44	Sentry Farm▲	80	-3	...	3.5	8.1
30.50	Sims Food	98†	...	...	9.6	∞
1,609.20	Tate & Lyle	447½	+9½	...	3.7	11.1
5,104.30	Tesco	249½	+7½	...	3.9	12.9
117.70	Thorntons	183	-4	...	2.6	...
30.20	Tresta▲	212†	...	...	2.4	17.3
831.80	Unigate	355	...	...	6.1	10.0
1,656.90	Utd Biscuits	315	-15	...	6.2	13.1
7.80	Usborne	8½	...	...	4.9	6.3
159.40	Watson & Phil	376	+3	...	4.9	15.2
14.40	West Trust	34†	-½	...	9.2	22.8

HOTELS, CATERERS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
4.80	Abrdn Stk H▲	40	+4	...	...	...
153.80	City Centre Rest	80†	-2	...	2.8	16.2
1,920.30	Forte	222	-12	...	4.2	34.6
37.40	Friendly Hotels	186	...	...	3.8	32.3
58.20	Jurys Hotel	171½	+5½	...	4.0	15.3
1,841.80	Ladbroke	158½	-6½	...	2.8	23.0
608.90	Mandarin Orntl	89½	-8½	...	3.5	23.6
20.60	Ryan Hotels E	31½	...	...	4.1	18.0
261.10	Savoy Hotel 'A'	913	-32	...	0.5	...
410.70	Stakis	86	-3	...	1.2	31.0

INDUSTRIALS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
8.97	AAF Inds	39	-3	...	...	...
381.20	AAH	425†	-6	...	5.3	15.1
20.50	AIM	145†	-3	...	3.9	38.7
221.60	APV	75	-43½	...	7.4	...
128.80	ASW	192†	-5	...	3.9	...
144.70	Adwest	176	-7	...	5.2	18.9
7.22	Aerospace Eng	19†	...	...	4.8	53.9
62.10	Airsprung	260	-5	...	2.3	16.2
68.70	Alexndra W	204	-6	...	3.4	21.7
8.60	Allied Radio	6½	...	...	...	...
100.80	Alumasc	325	+1	...	2.3	18.1
30.80	Alvis	55½	-1½	...	2.3	38.6
30.30	Amber Ind	775	+10	...	3.2	16.1
23.90	Amberley Gp▲	50‡	-2	...	2.2	∞
27.00	Anagen	58	-6	...	...	...
10.30	Andrews Sykes	72	-4	...	...	...
502.90	Antofagasta	320	-10	...	1.3	25.9
17.90	Armour	56	...	...	4.1	∞
44.20	Ash & Lacy	168	...	...	4.8	20.3
11.20	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.5	55.6
163.10	Avon Rubber	613	-13	...	3.4	26.6
40.90	Assoc Nursg	248	...	...	1.0	14.5
56.00	Atlas Equip	538	+5	...	5.1	18.7
12.50	Ayrshire Metal	125†	+2	1.5	1.5	...
739.10	BBA	182	-12	...	4.7	...
12.60	BLP Group▲	190	+10	...	0.7	52.1
52.40	BM Gp	47½	-2½	...	...	...
3,455.90	BOC	723	-1	...	4.0	30.5
191.20	BSG	66	-2	...	6.2	40.6
144.10	BSS Group	552	+2	...	4.0	23.0
11,540.00	BTR	321	-8	...	4.9	16.7
69.60	BWI	146	-5	...	5.7	18.5
279.10	Babcock	33	-1½	...	...	...
3.99	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
270.20	Baird (Wm)	237	...	...	4.8	19.9
892.20	Barlow	446½	-15½	...	0.7	...
110.10	Baynes (Charles)	79	...	...	2.8	21.4
7.65	Bearing Power	22½	-1½	...	4.2	14.3
7.95	Beaxford	33	+5	...	...	...
1.52	Bedford (W)▲	32	...	...	...	...
15.60	Benson Group	12	-½	...	3.5	∞
76.90	Bespak	304†	...	...	4.2	15.6
79.70	Bibby (J)	51	+1	...	4.9	...
2.33	Billam (J)	144	-1	...	4.6	9.0
3.29	Bilston Bttrsea▲	39	+1	...	...	...
8.07	Bimec Ind	65	...	...	...	...
125.20	Birkby	257†	-7	...	2.9	18.9
11.10	Black Arrow	45†	-3	...	7.2	∞
153.20	Black (Peter)	278†	+9½	...	2.0	∞
104.10	Bluebird Toys	237	-13	...	3.2	9.9
183.00	Bodycote	316	...	...	2.1	22.4
1.45	Bogod 'A'	30†	...	...	2.9	∞
2.52	Booth Inds	63	-3	...	...	...
18.40	Boustead	28†	...	...	3.6	∞
2,375.00	Bowater	475†	-6½	...	3.4	17.8
665.70	Bowater Inc	1790½	-6½	...	...	...
75.90	Boxmore Intl	276	-6	...	1.8	17.6
13.70	Brasway	17½	-½	...	3.8	∞
164.30	Brammer	367½	-1½	...	4.5	23.6
4.96	Bridgend Gp	18	...	...	1.4	∞
93.50	Bridon	164	-3	...	3.1	...
9.42	Bridport-Gndry	94	-3	...	3.0	...
1,280.50	Brierley Inv	48½	-2½	...	9.7	∞
21.30	Br Bldg & Eng	190	...	...	5.3	16.0
2.89	Br Bloodstock	74	-4	...	...	66.4
142.20	Br Polythene	471	-10	...	3.3	16.4
3,084.50	Br Steel	153	+3½	...	1.6	56.7
14.10	Br Thornton	88	-1	...	8.5	∞
522.00	Br Vita	240	-13	...	4.0	17.6
309.80	Brixon Grp	152‡	...	...	2.1	22.4
16,121.40	Broken Hill	973	...	...	2.0	42.6
69.10	Bromsgrve Ind	95†	...	...	5.9	12.0
5.32	Brooke Tool	14½	...	...	...	...
16.50	Brown & Tawse	51	...	...	...	...
190.60	Bullough	159	-1	...	4.8	36.1
6.73	Business Tech▲	8½	...	...	...	...
14.70	CI Group	17	...	...	3.7	69.3
5.63	Campbll & Arm	39	...	...	...	...
29.30	Cannon St	28½	-1½	...	...	10.9
39.20	Cantab Pharms	398	...	...	...	...
138.50	Cape	256	-2	...	5.4	16.3
1,647.70	Caradon	276	-15	...	4.1	20.5
247.50	-do- pf	137½	-4	7.2	6.6	...
158.80	Cardo Eng	259	+4	...	4.4	16.9
26.10	Care UK	6½	-1½	...	...	...
1,743.40	Carnaud Mtl	2162½	+62½	...	2.2	16.7
4.86	Cassidy Bros▲	89	+1	...	3.9	11.4
59.10	Castings	140	-2	...	2.3	17.2
95.50	Cathay Intl	34	...	...	...	...
146.10	Celltech	207	+1	...	...	...
11.60	Chamberlin Hill	160	...	...	5.1	10.1
693.40	Charter	811	+7	...	3.5	23.1
72.40	Chemring	293	+13	...	3.9	15.5
4.80	Chieftain Gp▲	56†	...	...	7.8	11.2
271.10	Christies Intl	171½	-3½	...	1.5	30.2
12.10	Clayhithe	73	...	...	4.5	∞
3.96	Cohen (A)	510	...	3.4	0.8	...
84.20	Community H	255	-1	...	3.6	14.5
102.80	Concentric	189	...	...	3.9	15.7
61.00	Cook (Wm)	285†	-5	...	3.3	13.7
1,391.10	Cookson	247	-17	...	3.3	22.1
12.20	Coppermore▲	115†	+2½	...	4.5	16.3
53.70	Crest Pkr 'A'	133	-5	...	5.4	18.0
15.50	Crusalt	156	-1	...	5.7	...
9.48	Creighton Nt▲	205†	...	...	4.7	∞
62.80	CresiaCare	33	-1	...	2.9	...
1,832.30	Dana	1856½	+56½	...	...	...
580.60	Danka Bs Sys	308	-2	...	0.6	26.3
149.30	David Brown	258	+2	...	3.1	18.2
1,810.30	De La Rue	938	-42	...	2.7	20.0
53.10	Denby Group	159	-3	...	2.4	15.5
5.14	Dinkie Heel	42	-3	...	4.2	11.0
365.00	Diploma	474	-32	...	3.3	19.0
102.70	Dobson Park	82	-1	...	5.7	16.2
1.80	Dyson (J&J)	109†	-1	...	4.0	∞
10.40	-do- 'A'	86†	-2	...	5.1	∞
6.32	EFG	13½	...	0.1	0.9	8.8
176.70	EIS	390	+4	...	4.0	15.5
2.28	Elbief	18	...	...	...	...
12.40	Eleco	42	...	...	...	...
2,286.10	Electrolux 'B'	3209½	-28½	...	1.7	54.9
30.00	Elliott (B)	65	...	...	1.5	13.0
1,119.70	Eng China Cl	307	-31	...	5.6	21.1
28.80	Environmed	125	+2	...	0.2	...
6,861.00	Ericsson 'B'	3458½	+28½	...	1.1	30.1
31.50	Eurocopy	65	...	...	3.5	19.1
64.50	Expamet	102	-8	...	3.2	71.3
298.20	Fairey Group	396	+13	...	2.0	20.8
101.60	Fenner	147	...	...	0.3	...
9.31	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
9.72	Ferrum	39	...	...	...	...
6.90	File Indmar	56†	+½	...	6.1	8.2
850.10	Fisons	123	-28	...	2.8	...
108.50	Fitzwilton	43‡	...	...	10.5	...
73.40	Flogas	298	...	...	2.8	12.3
14.50	Folkes Group nv	47	+7	1.5	4.0	...
11.20	French (Thmas)	95	...	...	4.8	18.8
178.10	Frost Group	253	...	...	2.7	26.5
30.60	GEI Intl	87	-1	...	2.3	23.3
2,103.70	GKN	608†	+4	...	4.2	35.6
7.24	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
4.96	Garton Eng	130	-4	...	4.3	28.2
302.30	Gestetner	153	-4	...	2.0	...
14.30	Glevum	65	-1	...	2.0	40.4
17,812.00	Glaxo	584	-27	...	6.0	13.9
11.40	Glenchewton	39	...	...	...	...
691.60	Glynwed	333	-16	...	4.4	19.3
104.20	Goode Durrant	194	-1	...	3.9	15.2
104.20	Grampian Hd	150	-2	...	4.6	57.9
2,823.70	Granada	486†	-13	...	2.3	19.2
91.20	Great Sthrn▲	773†	...	...	2.3	25.6
5.47	Green (Ernst)▲	71	...	...	12.3	13.0
20.80	Greenacre	11½	...	...	3.5	16.1
86.80	Haden MacLn	79†	+1	...	3.2	20.4
8.33	Hadleigh	115†	-4	...	2.2	13.5
25.00	Halkin Hldgs	68	-3	...	...	53.1
46.40	Hall Eng	153	-12	...	6.8	8.5
454.20	Halma	228	-7	...	2.4	31.7
44.70	Hampson Ind	73†	...	...	3.4	13.9
12,295.80	Hanson	241†	-1½	...	6.2	21.6
16.10	Harris (Philip)	150	-1	...	5.7	18.5
1,207.80	Harrisn Crsfld	172	-9	...	6.7	19.2
45.10	Havelock Euro	173	...	...	1.4	20.5
4.50	Hay (Norman)	30	-3	...	...	...
5.64	Headway	35	-5	...	2.6	∞
717.50	Hepworth	296	-19	...	6.3	15.4
4.75	Hewitt (J)	140	-10	...	2.9	...
2.64	High-Point	53	...	0.5	1.2	...
48.30	Hill & Smith	145†	-1	...	5.0	15.7
3.71	Holders Tech▲	119	...	...	6.3	12.9
44.50	Hopkinsons	57	-1	...	2.9	...
15.10	Hornby▲	183	-5	...	8.1	16.7
276.10	Howden	95†	-1	...	3.2	15.2
65.20	Hozelock	274	...	...	2.7	19.5
175.10	Hunting	180	-5	...	6.9	35.6
121.10	Huntigh Tec▲	428	...	...	1.3	24.7
972.70	IMI	298†	-18½	...	4.3	25.3
50.70	ISA Intl	127	+1	...	1.6	17.0
13.30	Intercare Gp▲	47	...	...	9.3	5.0
36.40	Isotron	291	-2	...	2.1	∞
4,323.70	Jardine Math	601½	-21½	...	2.3	14.4
1,109.70	Johnson Matth	581	-2	...	2.5	23.1
55.50	Johnson & FB	39½	...	...	1.1	...
29.80	Johnston	282	-8	...	0.9	...
7.97	Jones Shipman	31	...	...	...	...
5.57	Jourdan (T)	31	...	...	4.1	30.3
216.90	Kalon	162†	-5	...	3.4	15.4
9.09	Kelsey Ind	286	+8	...	3.4	...
304.20	Kershaw (A)	875†	+30	...	3.9	40.3
25.00	Kleeneze	180	-18	...	0.7	39.9
449.20	Laird	381	-25	...	3.6	17.7
46.50	Lilleshall	165†	-2	...	3.6	17.3
15.40	Lincat▲	218	+7	...	4.0	∞
64.40	Linton Park	405	...	...	4.6	11.6
12.30	Lionheart	6½	-½	...	6.0	14.2
5.25	Locker (T) A	17½	+2	...	1.4	∞
290.90	Lon Intl	86	-2	...	...	...
1,025.20	Lonrho	133†	-4½	...	3.8	36.3
416.80	Low & Bonar	424†	-8	...	3.0	16.9
74.40	ML Hldgs	47†	...	...	2.3	16.3
13.40	MS Intl	49	...	...	6.4	29.6
52.00	MY Holdings	59	-1	...	3.2	14.3
207.20	Macfarlane	258†	-1	...	2.0	23.4
444.70	McKechnie	458	-18	...	4.0	21.9
70.80	McLeod Russel	117	-1	...	6.5	18.2
4.48	Magnolia	78	...	...	0.2	...
29.20	Mang Bronze	177	-2	...	2.5	20.0
45.70	Marling	25½	...	...	3.2	46.2
38.80	Mayborn▲	196	+2	...	3.8	13.5
116.80	Mayflower	58½	-3½	...	3.0	23.6
405.70	Medeva	147†	+2	...	2.5	11.8
176.40	Meggitt	81½	-1½	...	6.1	12.0
99.10	Metalrax	109	...	...	4.2	16.1
23.90	Metrotect	99	-2	...	4.4	∞
20.40	Messex▲	152	-1	...	2.9	18.2
40.80	Midstates	81	-6	...	...	11.3
172.10	Molins	555	-4	...	3.6	11.1
716.20	Morgan Cble	327½	-21½	...	4.8	16.5
24.30	Morris Ashby▲	208†	...	...	3.6	∞
9.33	Neepsend	38†	...	...	4.1	17.8
33.70	Nestor-BNA	45	-5	...	9.0	9.9
29.00	Nobo Gp	237†	-2	...	3.2	∞
213.30	Norcros	122	-8	...	7.2	21.9
19.50	Novo Group	31	...	...	4.4	10.0
24.40	OMI Intl	55†	-½	...	4.0	...
14.00	PCT▲	158	-6	...	6.0	∞
3.34	Pacer Systems▲	71	-1	...	6.9	23.0
6.28	Pascoe's	41	...	...	...	...
372.00	Pentland	103	-4	...	3.6	20.2
157.80	Photo-Me	260	-6	4.7	2.3	15.6
1,503.70	Pilkington	190	-3	...	2.6	...
16.30	Plaxt & Gen	51	...	1.5	1.7	∞
173.20	Plansbrook	173	+1	...	2.5	20.4
224.20	Polypipe	143	+4	...	2.0	∞
41.00	Porter Chadburn	43½	+3½	...	...	...
261.90	Powerscreen	249	-9	...	3.1	13.4
38.40	Prospect Inds	18½	...	...	5.5	10.0
8.27	RPS Group▲	69†	-1½	...	4.7	14.3
1.02	Radiant Metal	75	-5	...	...	...
3,374.00	Rank Org	407†	-8	...	3.9	26.1
35.80	Ransomes	63	-7½	...	...	...
2,173.30	Reckitt Colm	578	-10	...	4.0	14.3
29.30	Record	88	...	...	5.2	19.5
5.15	Reece	4	...	...	...	...
54.10	Relyon	255†	-7	...	2.6	46.5
138.40	Renishaw	283	-6	...	2.9	35.6
120.80	Renold	183	-1	...	1.7	25.4
7,568.20	Reuters	472	-21	...	1.8	23.6
12.40	Rexmore	80†	-1	...	3.9	∞
68.70	Ricardo Group	155	-5	...	4.7	18.2
4.52	Richard (Leics)	54	...	...	5.2	38.7
31.00	Richardson West	86†	...	...	4.7	18.9
31.90	Ropner	138†	-2½	...	0.8	13.8
21.00	Ross Gp	15	-½	...	3.3	...
149.20	Rotork	170½	-5½	...	3.3	17.2
29.90	Rubicon	137†	...	...	4.2	∞
22.50	Russell (A)	97	-6	...	2.9	34.2
31.40	SEP Intl	39†	+½	...	2.9	18.4
750.60	SKF 'B'	1178½	+25	...	...	...
500.30	Scapa	211	-6½	...	3.5	18.0
113.70	Scholl	169†	+2½	...	4.7	16.2
179.60	Scotia	286	-5	...	...	...
61.20	Securicor	1475†	-48	...	0.3	36.5
743.40	-do- 'A'	968†	-52	...	0.4	24.0
855.00	Security Serv	780†	-20	...	0.9	24.7
392.50	Senior Eng	116½	+2	...	3.7	18.5
109.00	Seton Health	354	-2	...	2.3	18.0
9.35	Shiloh	160	...	...	2.7	10.6
148.20	Sidlaw	270	-7	...	5.0	13.2
2,384.00	Siebe	557†	-8	...	2.5	17.9
100.50	Silentnight	217	-19	...	4.6	12.4
3,222.30	Sime Darby	183	-3	...	3.0	∞
168.90	Simon Eng	108	-2	...	...	...
43.60	Sinclair (Wm)	200	...	...	4.4	16.2
34.30	Six Hundred	73	+2	...	2.6	...
1,595.20	Smith & Neph	146½	-5½	...	4.4	16.0
5,854.90	SmithKline	425½	+4	...	3.2	16.6
5,010.80	SmithKline Uts	382½	-1½	...	3.6	14.9
1,310.10	Smiths Ind	438	-9	...	3.5	17.6
57.00	Sthn Bus	59	+9	...	7.9	9.2
109.70	Spandex▲	278	+5	...	1.0	26.0
337.90	Spirax-Sarco	435½	-3½	...	2.8	21.2
222.10	Spring Ram	49	-2	...	1.3	...
236.60	Staveley	207	-15	...	5.1	60.5
71.40	Sterling Ind	255	-11	...	3.1	22.9
210.20	Suter	180‡	-4½	...	6.5	17.3
	Swire Pacific 'A'	519½	-15½	...	1.8	∞
28.10	Sytlone	168†	-1	...	3.7	18.6
1,731.60	TI	370†	+6	...	3.9	20.4
14.10	TLS Range▲	39	-3	...	3.2	42.7
180.80	TT Group	377	-19	...	2.2	∞
275.70	Takare	220†	+1	2.0	1.2	19.2
6,702.20	Takeda Chem	766½	-35½	...	0.8	14.3
8.72	Tinsley (E)▲	121†	+1	...	5.8	19.7
31.50	Titon▲	197	...	...	2.7	16.7
2,542.40	Tomkins	227†	+2½	...	4.1	14.6
954.40	Trafalgar H	89	-1	...	1.4	...
69.80	Transfer Tech	73	...	...	5.7	7.8
91.90	Triplex Lloyd	142†	...	...	6.2	∞
445.10	UniChem	306	-1	...	2.7	17.1
58.10	Unidare	300	...	...	3.6	18.3
12.60	Unigroup	40	-2	...	...	...
9,146.20	Unilever	1125	-40	25.0	2.8	16.2
11,521.80	Unilever (NV)	7171½	-387½	...	3.0	14.5
34.70	Utd Inds	15½	...	...	...	...
361.20	VSEL	953	-10	...	4.4	9.2
21.60	Verson	16	-1	...	...	...
560.30	Vickers	170†	-19½	...	2.6	18.0
116.20	Victaulic	263†	...	...	3.8	14.5
308.10	Vinten	505	+3	...	2.0	16.4
228.40	Vosper Thorny	716	-6	...	3.1	15.5
14.30	WSP Hldgs	61†	+1	...	3.8	44.9
231.10	Wagon Ind	498†	-10	...	4.5	25.3
21.10	Wakebourne	101	+13	...	0.2	...
107.90	Walker Greenbk	112	+2	3.3	3.7	∞
585.20	Wassall	304	-16	...	1.4	22.1
439.40	Wtrford Wdgwd	62	...	...	...	48.3
529.20	Weir	270‡	-17½	...	2.9	16.1
5,709.30	Wellcome	657†	-39	...	3.3	14.9
46.80	Wellington Hdg	198	-1	...	3.3	19.0
46.70	Wellman	38½	+½	...	2.9	62.8
183.10	West Hlthcare	399†	+2	...	1.6	∞
98.90	Whatman	430	-20	...	3.1	15.1
36.50	Whessoe	124	-7	...	8.3	9.5
61.20	Whitecroft	140	-1	...	1.8	22.1
16.60	Widney	11	-½	...	...	...
1,959.40	Williams Hldg	339†	-14½	...	4.8	18.3
46.60	Wilshaw	56†	-½	...	1.3	23.0
2,026.80	Wolseley	737	-16	...	2.5	17.9
3.10	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.7
21.90	Wyko	68†	+3½	...	0.9	∞
13.30	Young (H)	80	...	...	5.2	...

INSURANCE

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
503.80	Alex & Alex	1318½	-6½	...	5.1	...
3,949.70	Am Gen	1887½	-12½	...	3.9	...
19.00	Archer	52	...	...	2.4	...
60.40	Bradstock	100†	...	...	6.9	11.5
748.90	Britannic	395†	-23	...	4.1	...
80.20	CLM Insce	93	...	1.4	1.9	...
3,656.60	Com Union	518‡	-23½	...	4.8	19.5
115.10	Dom & Gen	1693	-92	...	2.1	∞
113.40	FAI	38	-4	...	1.2	...
55.30	Fenchurch Grp	155	...	...	5.8	13.8
2,536.80	Gen Accident	580	-6	...	6.3	8.9
1,588.90	GRE	182	-5	...	5.4	20.0
185.60	Heath C E	282	-6	...	7.1	...
119.40	Independent	268	...	...	4.1	7.5
173.70	JIB Group	136	-3	...	7.0	12.1
2,209.90	Legal & Gen	451	-22	...	5.8	14.9
3,054.80	Liberty Life	1309½	-45½	...	7.9	5.1
270.20	LIMIT	96½	-1½	...	1.3	∞
2,488.30	Lloyds Abbey	358†	-17	...	6.5	10.8
119.50	Lloyd Thomp	171	...	7.1	5.2	10.6
65.50	Lombard Ins	184†	-1	...	5.2	∞
399.80	Londn & Man	331	-7	...	6.2	16.2
117.40	Lowndes Lmb	198‡	-1	...	4.7	12.5
3,706.50	Marsh McLn	5150	-250	...	3.6	...
69.20	Nelson Hurst	153	...	...	4.6	15.3
29.70	Oriel	122	...	...	5.2	∞
13.30	PWS	43	-1	...	8.7	...
5,864.80	Prudential	309	-2	...	5.6	14.5
426.20	Refuge	272	-17	...	5.2	20.0
1,813.50	Royal	279†	+5	...	4.0	7.0
878.90	Sedgwick	161†	-10	...	4.7	18.2
59.40	Steel Burrill	124	...	...	9.1	...
29.90	Sturge Hldgs	59	...	...	6.4	71.0
2,553.30	Sun Alliance	316	-15	...	6.0	8.6
118.80	Trade Indemnity	65	...	...	1.7	14.4
1,039.50	Transatlantic	344†	-22	...	4.4	31.1
442.00	Utd Friendly	539	-8	...	4.0	27.4
640.60	Willis Corroon	153†	-2½	...	5.4	14.8
7.10	Windsor	21	...	...	...	16.5



INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,944.00	3i	337½	+10½	...	2.5	...
915.30	Alliance	1816†	-44	...	3.3	...
491.10	Anglo & O'seas	430†	-9	...	2.1	...
67.80	BZW Conv	132½	-8	...	7.5	∞
295.90	Bankers	191	-5	...	2.5	...
176.00	Baring Tribne	343†	-5	...	2.4	...
11.90	Berry Starq	228	...	2.2	1.2	∞
372.50	Br Assets	97†	-2	...	5.6	...
127.70	Br Empire Sec	96	-½	...	1.2	...
5.45	Br Empire Wts	48	-1	...	...	...
642.70	Br Inv	206	-4	...	2.9	...
158.70	Brunner	248	-4	...	2.7	...
45.10	Contl Asset	206	-3	...	1.8	...
19.00	Derby Inc	161	-2	...	12.2	...
45.30	-do- Cap	295	-10	...	...	...
10.50	Drayton Blue	83	-1	...	12.7	...
47.00	-do- Eng Intl	96	-4	...	1.0	...
164.70	-do- Far East	142¼	-5½	...	0.6	...
212.20	Dunedin Inc G	663†	-10	...	4.9	...
37.40	-do- Japan	93½	-1½	...	...	...
4.00	-do- Warrants	50	-1	...	...	...
54.00	Dunedin Smlr	325	-2	...	3.5	...
266.70	-do- Wrlde	703	-12	...	1.5	...
902.00	Edinburgh	307	-10½	...	3.6	...
576.40	Electra Inv	333	+1	...	2.7	...
179.00	Electric Gen	198†	-3	...	2.0	...
1.53	English Scot	116	-6	...	...	...
80.00	European Asset	321	-5	...	1.8	...
39.10	Finsbury 'A'	163	-1	3.0	2.3	...
307.00	Fleming Amer	308½	-7	...	0.4	...
51.80	Fleming Chinese	86	-2½	...	...	...
5.40	-do- Warrants	45	-5	...	...	...
114.10	-do- Claver	214	-5	...	1.2	...
222.70	-do- Conti	341	-12½	...	0.8	...
84.40	-do- Emp	211†	-3	...	2.8	...
550.40	-do- F East	364	-10	1.5	0.5	...
47.00	-do- Fledg	373†	-1	...	1.0	...
31.80	-do- Hi Inc	98†	-4	...	5.6	...
451.30	-do- Japan	261	-8	...	0.2	...
432.80	-do- Merc	209½	-2	...	2.8	...
394.40	-do- Oseas	297	-9	...	1.8	∞
1,450.40	Foreign & Col	138†	-4	...	1.6	...
137.30	Frgn Eng Mkts	137	+½	0.2	0.2	...
69.10	-do- Enterprise	73½	-½	...	1.0	...
142.70	-do- Eurost	237	-6½	...	0.6	...
52.10	-do- German	132½	-5	...	0.5	...
179.80	-do- Pacific	330	-12	...	0.9	...
182.70	-do- Smaller	174½	-3	...	1.4	...
158.50	GT Japan	254	-4	...	0.6	...
32.80	Genl Cons Cap	181	-1	...	...	...
39.80	-do- Inc	110†	...	...	9.9	...
36.20	Govett Am Smlr	145	-2	...	...	...
47.40	-do- Emg Mkts	132½	-½	...	0.2	...
19.10	Gov Glob Smlr	88	...	...	...	...
39.70	Govett High Inc	83†	-2½	...	7.0	...
712.50	-do- Oriental	390½	-4	...	0.3	...
247.50	Govett Strategic	252	-5	...	3.3	...
49.50	Greenfriar	430	-1	...	1.9	...
0.81	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
61.10	Herald	94	-2½	...	...	...
	Int Biotech	95	...	...	...	...
	Int Wts	45	...	...	...	...
336.60	Inv Cap	132	-4	...	4.9	...
32.20	IIS UK Smlr	111	-1	...	3.2	...
37.20	INVESCO Korea	161½	+3	...	...	...
169.70	Kleinwort Chrt	209½	-8½	...	3.1	...
402.50	Klnwt Euro Prvt	80½	-1½	...	...	...
32.00	Klnwt Euro Wts	32	-1½	...	...	...
195.30	-do- O'seas	243½	-6	...	1.7	...
18.30	-do- Smlr	139	...	...	2.8	...
170.60	Law Debenture	778†	-3	...	3.1	...
108.20	Majedie	206	-4	...	3.0	...
275.20	Merchants	269	-9	...	5.3	...
98.00	Mercury Euro Pr	85½	+½	...	...	...
38.00	Mercury Wts	33	-½	...	...	...
472.60	-do- World Mng	111	-2	...	...	...
35.80	-do- World Wts	42	+1½	...	...	...
4,867.90	Merrill Lynch	2437½	-75	...	...	...
419.80	Monks Inv Tst	541	-3	...	1.6	...
51.20	More Gren Inc	154	-4½	...	4.2	...
2.42	-do- Warrants	90	-3	...	...	...
69.60	Morg Lam Amer	108½	-1½	...	...	...
7.96	Morg Wts	82	-1	...	...	...
33.40	Murray Ent	126‡	-2	...	2.0	...
1.88	Murray Wts	39	-2	...	...	...
18.40	Murray Euro	61½	-1½	...	0.6	...
1.08	-do- Wts	18	-½	...	...	...
280.70	Murray Income	344†	-10	...	4.3	...
415.90	-do- Intl	346	-9	...	4.6	...
275.50	-do- Small	491†	-1	...	1.1	...
7.12	-do- S/C Inc	89†	...	...	14.9	...
8.29	-do- S/C Cap	148	...	...	...	...
1.98	-do- S/C Uts	1050†	...	...	4.3	...
10.10	-do- S/C DP	198	-1	...	...	...
82.30	-do- Vent	333	-1	...	4.1	...
25.00	Nthrng Inc	64	-1	...	9.3	...
138.40	O'seas Inv Tst	358	-14	...	1.1	...
3.77	-do- Warrants	230	...	...	...	...
109.20	Pacific Assets	538	-15	...	0.3	...
14.40	-do- Warrants	444	-16	...	...	...
12.90	Personal Assets	8500	+100	195	2.9	...
351.60	RIT Cap Ptnr	189½	-2½	...	1.0	...
22.00	River & Merc	114†	-1	...	10.1	...
	Robeco	440	-2	...	2.9	...
	Rolinco	442	-7	...	1.8	...
111.80	St Andrew Inv	325†	-3	...	3.0	...
363.40	Scot American	162½	-4	...	3.7	...
61.30	Scott Asian	201	-5	...	...	...
5.60	-do- Warrants	800	-13	...	...	...
519.60	-do- Eastern	82†	-3	...	2.4	...
560.30	Scottish	222	-5½	...	2.8	∞
813.40	-do- Mrtge	229½	-7½	...	2.3	...
57.60	-do- Value	114½	-4	...	2.1	...
313.90	Second Allnce	1635	-13	...	3.3	∞
277.10	Secs Tst of Scot	86½	-2	...	4.7	...
47.10	Selective Asset	163	-4	...	1.1	...
52.80	Sphere Inv	43½	-1	...	9.8	...
79.00	TR Far East	168†	-3	...	3.9	...
301.30	TR City Of Lon	147½	-3½	...	4.5	∞
152.80	TR Pacific	114	-2½	...	0.2	...
158.80	TR Property	37¼	-1½	...	3.3	...
45.30	TR Tech Inv	124	-4	...	1.8	...
354.00	TR Smlr Cos	199†	-4½	...	2.4	...
200.00	Temple Bar	349†	-8	...	4.9	...
114.60	Thrgtn Asian E	114½	-3½	...	0.5	...
246.10	Throgmorton	81	+½	...	3.5	...
18.20	Throg Dual Cp	520	+18	...	...	...
92.60	USDC Invest	253†	-6½	...	2.2	...
49.50	Value Inc Tst	115	-2½	...	4.3	...
859.40	Witan	229†	-7	...	3.2	...

LEISURE

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
490.70	Airtours	443	-16	...	2.6	15.4
17.50	Ald Leis	25	...	...	15.0	8.2
344.30	Alpha Airpts	162	-3	...	3.1	∞
21.70	Baldwin	114†	-1	...	3.8	19.6
27.60	Barr & W 'A'	277†	+1	...	4.5	11.5
70.60	Boosey Hwks	360	-3	...	1.7	21.7
19.80	Border TV	194†	...	...	2.6	16.2
14.10	Brent Walker	4	...	...	...	...
10.00	Bristol Scotts	165	...	...	...	...
3.62	Buckingham Int	3	...	...	...	...
3.95	Campari	38	...	...	...	...
277.40	Capital Radio	380	-10	...	2.1	33.5
1,038.60	Carlton Comm	854	+6	...	2.8	18.9
24.50	Castle Comm▲	360	...	...	1.6	∞
57.20	Chrysalis	213	+1	3.2	1.9	...
791.90	Compass Gp	333	-17½	...	2.6	19.6
71.00	Eurocamp	220	-4	9.9	4.6	11.1
841.50	Euro Disney	110	-2	...	...	...
25.80	Euro Leisure	3½	...	...	...	...
15.90	Fairline Boats	455	+5	...	3.3	31.7
434.60	First Leisure	266†	-13	...	3.1	17.7
397.30	Flextech▲	426	-23	...	...	...
63.50	GWR Gp▲	913†	+15	...	1.4	33.0
45.50	Grampian	323	+2	...	2.9	17.3
144.20	HTV Group	165	-4	...	0.8	45.5
38.90	Hi-Tec Sports	80	-1	...	4.3	11.8
36.70	Kunick	15½	-½	...	...	...
181.80	London Clubs	257	-6	...	5.8	13.1
83.40	Man Utd	684	+10	...	3.7	27.6
33.30	My Kinda Town	137	+½	...	...	...
18.50	Northern	57	-3	...	2.2	11.0
185.60	Owners Abrd	119	+13	...	3.7	...
71.40	The Pelican Gp	101	+2	...	1.4	∞
11.40	Prism Leisure▲	135	...	...	3.9	9.5
11.40	Quadrant Grp	31	...	...	...	...
24.20	Ramsdens (H)	275†	...	...	2.0	41.4
54.80	Scott Radio▲	600	-25	...	2.2	23.4
214.00	Scot TV	444	-12	...	3.5	24.3
33.70	SelecTV▲	23½	+½	...	...	...
181.50	Stanley Leisure	338	-4	...	1.9	19.0
7.37	Sunset & Vine	129	...	3.5	3.4	19.7
1,050.40	Tanjong	280	...	...	1.1	∞
23.10	Tottenham Hot	144	+8	...	2.6	∞
71.90	Ulster TV	685	...	...	3.2	25.4
56.40	VCI	145	-2	...	4.7	13.0
93.10	Vardon	126	-1	...	1.2	22.2
184.00	Yorkshire TV	363	-1	...	...	...
8.48	Zetters Gp	129†	...	...	8.2	∞

MINING

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
8,087.80	Ang Am	3471½	-250	...	2.0	32.8
872.30	Ang Am Coal	3462½	-87½	...	2.6	18.8
1,605.00	Ang Am Gold	6771½	-275	...	3.5	20.2
20.20	Anglo Pac Res▲	26	-½	...	...	...
1,040.80	Ashanti	1260½	-15½	...	...	...
44.50	Bakyrchik	297	+8	...	...	...
34.80	Blyvoors	145½	-8½	...	...	...
2.03	Bracken	14½	-1½	...	6.1	40.8
79.00	Buffels	718†	-31½	...	7.6	∞
7.64	Butte	3½	...	...	...	...
5,637.00	CRA	947	...	...	2.2	29.9
34.90	Cliff Res	48	-1	...	...	...
69.10	Coal Inv	118	+3	...	...	...
6,083.30	De Beers	1600	...	...	3.3	16.9
116.30	Deelkraal	116½	-9	...	3.0	∞
30.30	Doornfontein	75½	+8	...	...	...
2,020.40	Driefontein	990½	-21½	...	4.3	∞
18.00	Durban	775½	-48½	...	...	...
83.40	E Rand Gold	181½	+1½	...	9.8	6.8
120.40	E Rand Prop	90½	-2	...	...	...
455.30	Elandsrand	469½	+18½	...	3.4	10.9
1,262.90	FS Cons	1061½	-46½	...	6.5	10.9
16.90	FS Dev	76	+2	...	...	...
1,774.00	GFSA	1837½	+6½	...	2.0	∞
2,780.10	Gencor	202	-4½	...	1.3	∞
358.50	GM Kalgoorli	67	...	...	2.1	25.0
18.10	Greenwich R 'A'	20½	+2	...	...	...
19.60	Grootvlei	171†	-9½	...	5.2	∞
139.70	Harmony	519½	-1½	...	...	...
433.40	Hartles	387	-13½	...	7.3	∞
880.80	Impala Plat	1393½	-31½	...	1.8	43.0
190.30	Kinross	1056½	-87½	...	4.5	∞
1,378.30	Kloof	994½	-29½	...	3.2	∞
19.70	Leslie	123†	+½	...	6.5	∞
55.30	Loraine	337½	-7½	...	...	...
180.20	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	2.0	∞
2,029.40	MIM	145	...	...	1.6	...
3,605.00	Minorco	1600	-150	...	2.2	∞
1,268.20	Nth Bdn Hill	190	...	...	2.7	28.3
9,261.60	RTZ	868	-22	...	3.0	24.5
275.80	Rand Mines	462½	...	...	2.3	17.5
475.20	Randfontein	777½	-44½	...	4.1	∞
507.00	Renison	255	-10	...	...	...
1,780.10	Rustenbrg	1421½	-31½	...	2.1	∞
66.10	St Helena	686½	-22½	...	3.8	∞
539.60	Southvaal	2075†	-12½	...	4.2	24.1
17.30	Stilfontein	132½	-2½	...	20.1	∞
61.30	Unisel	219†	+2½	...	2.0	∞
7,895.90	Vaal Reefs	6625½	-206½	...	3.8	10.9
407.10	Western Areas	1010	-37½	...	7.0	∞
848.50	Western Deep	3062½	-34½	...	3.4	10.6
4,328.50	Wstrn Mining	394	...	...	1.0	∞
100.00	Winkels	821½	-18½	...	4.3	∞
72.30	Zambia Copper	59	-1	...	...	...
84.60	Zandpan	65	...	...	7.7	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5.56	Abbey Panels	278	-5	...	...	...
12.00	Airflow Stream	140	+1	3.0	2.7	31.1
78.40	Appleyard	118†	-5	...	6.1	20.8
16.80	Bletchley Mtr	273†	-25½	...	4.8	11.3
48.10	Bostrom	308	...	...	2.5	28.6
1,792.70	Br Aerospace	473	-24	...	2.2	41.5
45.40	Burndene	43	...	...	5.8	12.5
11.60	Caffyns	350	-10	...	4.4	23.6
35.40	Caverdale	16½	...	...	1.1	16.7
13.80	Central Mtr▲	101†	-2	...	4.3	25.0
18.00	Cook (DC)▲	42†	-2	...	3.0	∞
327.70	Cowie	229	-10	...	4.5	11.2
37.00	Dag Motors	153	...	...	5.1	17.6
29.60	Davenpt Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
31.20	ERF	318	+6	...	0.8	...
106.90	Eurodollar	218	-4	...	4.9	17.1
62.20	European Mtr	116‡	-9	...	4.6	12.1
154.40	Evans Halshaw	414†	-14	...	4.1	13.0
224.50	FR Group	297	-12	...	3.2	16.2
18,603.30	Ford Motor	1843½	-68½	...	...	...
23,225.90	General Mtr	3269½	-50½	...	1.5	...
7.09	Gowrings	78	...	...	3.2	...
136.90	Henlys	287†	-2½	...	3.3	15.4
10,104.90	Honda Motor	1037½	+14½	...	0.4	...
6.82	Jacks (Wm)	63	-5	...	...	21.9
275.80	Kwik-Fit	160	+9	...	3.2	18.2
355.50	Lex Service	373	-12	...	4.5	14.3
42.80	Lookers	223†	-1	...	3.9	13.9
1,439.20	Lucas	187½	-3½	...	4.7	...
23.10	Malaya Grp	24†	-½	...	1.3	...
96.10	Pendragon	249	-1	...	3.8	17.5
43.90	Perry Gp	175	...	...	5.1	9.4
35.20	Quicks Group	153†	-15	...	4.3	16.1
2,212.90	Rolls-Royce	180½	-1½	...	3.5	31.5
1,161.60	T & N	220†	-9½	...	6.2	25.1
168.60	Trinity Hldgs	328	...	...	2.4	23.7
79.60	Vardy (Reg)	172†	-3	...	3.3	16.2

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
47.80	Adscene	298	-15	...	2.8	21.0
5.36	Black (A&C)	345	...	...	4.9	14.6
198.30	Blenheim Gp	213	-30	...	6.2	7.8
61.30	Bristol	376	-1	...	4.1	26.0
67.50	Daily Mail	1350	...	...	1.4	31.6
966.10	Daily Mail 'A'	968½	-28½	...	2.0	22.7
196.70	Dorling Kind	304	-6	...	1.4	22.5
3,942.50	Elsevier	600½	-181½	...	3.2	19.4
746.20	EMAP	378†	-28	...	2.9	23.5
398.20	Euromoney Pb	1825	...	...	2.8	32.1
6.41	Harrington K	64†	+7	...	5.5	∞
69.20	Haynes Pub	443†	-2	...	2.5	∞
121.50	Hodder H'line	348	...	...	1.8	56.7
17.40	Home Counts	174	+4	...	3.6	42.0
90.20	Ind Bus Comm	233	+11	...	1.9	15.3
6.40	Int Cm & Data▲	10	-½	...	...	...
390.60	Independent	298†	-2	...	2.5	10.1
206.90	Johnstone Press	620	+5	...	1.5	22.7
50.40	MAID	62	...	...	...	...
47.90	Metal Bulletin	484†	...	...	2.9	25.2
193.00	Midland Ind	140	-18	...	2.5	19.0
536.40	Mirror Gp	129	-8	...	...	5.1
7,637.60	News Corp	411	-9	...	0.3	∞
1,643.70	News Intl	238†	-12	...	0.8	∞
3,251.30	Pearson	589†	-22½	...	2.8	20.3
81.20	Portsmth Sund	677	-6	...	2.0	16.7
4,186.90	Reed Intl	745†	-19	...	3.3	22.5
35.00	Southnews	228	+1	...	1.6	28.9
67.70	Sterling Pub▲	146†	+1	...	3.1	12.5
454.30	Telegraph	336†	-18	...	4.8	11.9
4,429.10	Thomson Corp	765	-10	30.1	4.9	38.2
299.50	Trinity Intl	408	-6	...	3.1	20.0
3.84	Unix Group▲	36	...	...	...	...
1,233.20	Utd Nwspapers	505	-19	...	5.4	13.8

OILS, GAS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
92.90	Aran Energy	35½	-2½	...	...	21.5
26.50	Arcon Intl▲	46	...	...	...	...
	Aus Oil & Gas	65½	-5½	...	...	...
14.50	Aviva Pet	46	+1	...	...	...
2.76	Beverley	6½ #	...	...	...	64.6
102.20	Br Borneo	227†	+2½	...	3.9	10.7
12,502.60	British Gas	297½	+2½	...	6.2	...
22,701.20	Br Petroleum	413½	-4½	...	2.8	22.7
26.30	Buls Resources	3½ #	...	...	...	...
1,778.00	Burmah Castrl	899	-10	...	3.9	17.5
48.60	Cairn Energy	75	-6	...	...	41.3
503.80	Calor Gp	299	+20	...	5.3	14.1
163.30	Clyde Pet	40	-½	...	1.1	...
24.40	Conlex Res	14½	-½	...	...	...
7.47	Edin Oil & Gas	21½	...	...	...	23.2
1,943.40	Enterprise	395	-14	...	5.1	...
54.70	Fairhaven Intl	22½	...	...	5.4	9.2
63.50	Fortune	6	...	...	...	...
92.50	Goal Pet	60	...	...	2.8	18.2
47.90	Gt Western Res	42	...	...	...	...
160.50	Hardy O & G	142	...	...	0.9	18.2
77.60	Kelt Energy	51	+1	...	3.3	...
1,515.70	LASMO	157	+2	...	0.8	...
4.18	-do- Units	59	-1	9.4	20.0	...
479.10	Monument	72	-½	...	...	78.9
5.22	New London	4½	...	...	...	...
131.60	Oil Search	43	-2	...	...	...
	Petrol	37	-½	...	...	...
81.70	Pict Pet	158	+1	...	...	∞
60.90	Pittencrieff Rs	106	-3	...	...	19.2
153.10	Premier	28	-1	...	3.2	...
32.60	Presidio	128	...	...	0.2	...
48.80	Ramco Egy▲	286	+52	...	5.0	...
398.80	Ranger	405	-20	...	4.5	18.4
37,752.70	Royal Dtch Ft	7041½	-259½	...	2.2	...
8,543.80	Schlumberger	3512½	-162½	...	...	...
31.30	Seafield	61	-2	...	...	...
23,553.10	Shell	710½	-32½	...	4.5	21.2
3.78	Sunrise Eng Sy	129	...	...	...	...
13.50	Villiers Grp	11½	...	...	1.7	...
1,480.00	Woodside	222	-2	...	...	...
141.70	XCL	75	...	...	...	...

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Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
26.50	AG Holdings	147	...	...	4.5	13.3
80.00	API	374	-3	...	2.9	33.5
2,191.00	Arjo Wiggins	208½	-7½	...	3.1	40.1
104.00	Abbott Mead	675	-2	...	1.9	35.9
232.10	Aegis Gp	29½	-3½	...	...	...
23.70	Aspen Comm▲	170	...	...	3.8	67.4
1.66	BBB Design▲	20	...	...	...	10.3
130.20	Bemrose	412	-2	...	3.6	14.7
5.89	Birkdale	6½	-½	...	...	...
698.00	Bunzl	164	-3	...	3.2	19.1
57.70	CIA Gp	141†	-5	...	1.5	22.8
52.40	Capital Inds	189	+6	...	3.0	14.7
17.40	Chime Comm	31	-1	...	...	...
7.33	City of Lon▲	92	...	...	6.0	14.0
26.30	Cropper (Jms)	319	...	...	1.4	16.0
6.85	Delyn Group	82	...	...	2.5	14.9
28.80	Dolphin Pack	123	...	...	4.6	15.8
8.74	Dudley Jenkins	73†	...	...	3.6	16.2
35.60	Elswick	37½	...	...	2.4	19.0
29.40	Fairway Group▲	92†	-3	...	4.7	17.2
138.50	Ferguson Intl	342	...	...	4.6	14.6
17.20	Ferry Pick	128	...	...	5.5	...
55.60	Filofax▲	210	+2	...	1.0	20.7
4.48	Fitch	12	-1	...	...	...
12.60	Gibbon Lyons▲	139†	...	...	4.9	13.0
47.30	Gold Greenless	179†	...	...	3.7	∞
11.30	Goodhead	28	...	...	0.2	∞
2.03	Hunterprint	3½	-3½	...	...	...
6.64	Intereurope	129	...	...	7.6	11.7
110.90	Jarvis Porter	280	+1	...	2.3	20.1
14.30	Lopex	27	-4	...	1.2	30.5
125.10	More O'Ferrall	385	-2	...	4.3	22.2
25.10	Osborne & Little	410	...	...	2.0	14.9
9.94	Osprey Comm	38	...	...	0.2	...
432.90	Portals	667	-6	...	3.1	17.9
5.78	Premier Hlth	2	...	...	...	...
48.00	Quarto	261	...	...	3.9	14.1
353.90	St Ives Gp	357	-13	...	2.1	25.0
363.30	Saatchi	165	-5	...	...	32.1
1,291.60	Sappi	860½	-26½	...	11.7	5.3
13.70	Seril	18½	-1	...	...	...
70.30	Shandwick	52†	+2½	...	1.0	7.8
850.10	Smith David	546†	-11	...	2.5	24.4
2,116.10	Smurfit (Jeff)	434	...	...	1.2	64.8
1.68	Sonic	84	-3	...	3.7	9.0
43.90	Stat-Plus	204	-8	...	3.7	18.9
85.40	Taylor Nelson	39	+½	...	2.0	32.3
14.10	VTR	135	...	...	3.7	21.4
17.80	WMGO	27	...	...	2.3	13.2
828.50	WPP	115	-5	...	1.1	∞
187.40	Wace	239†	-6	...	2.1	23.3
237.20	Waddington (J)	229	-5	...	4.6	11.2
247.50	Watmough	370	-38	...	2.3	23.3
2.84	Whitney Mck▲	43	...	...	...	...
28.50	Wyndeham	129	...	...	2.2	18.7

PROPERTY

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
75.20	Allied Lon	108	-2	...	4.2	14.5
29.30	Arcadian	42	...	...	...	...
148.80	Argent	271	-4	...	...	...
12.10	Ascot Hldgs	3½	-½	...	...	...
90.50	Asda	115	-4	...	2.4	20.4
57.90	Avonside	133	-5	...	4.2	15.4
6,657.90	BCE▲	2175	-50	...	...	...
234.70	Bilton	287	-11	...	4.5	19.5
51.10	Bourne End	92	...	...	1.4	...
291.20	Bradford	201	-9	...	4.0	14.2
1,158.90	Br Land	378	-8	...	2.5	33.1
8.47	Brightstone	121	...	...	3.9	27.4
419.00	Brixton	180	-6	...	5.6	15.7
282.30	Burford	95†	-4½	...	2.1	30.6
106.90	CLS Hldgs	108	...	...	...	...
70.70	Cap & Regnl▲	155	-1	...	1.2	61.1
760.80	Cap Shop Ctrs	209	+1	...	3.9	50.3
9.04	Cardiff Prop	233	-10	...	1.3	52.1
257.30	Chelsfield	164	-3	...	1.8	40.5
104.40	Chesterfield	530	-5	...	2.8	23.8
54.70	Chesterton Int	187	-3	...	3.9	15.1
9.70	Cty Site Est	63	-1	...	...	...
12.20	Clarke Nickolls	7½	-½	...	...	15.7
6.45	Compco	310	...	...	5.5	∞
46.70	Conrad Rbin GS	39	-1	...	1.6	∞
240.90	Daejan	1478†	-17	...	2.5	17.2
3.50	Dares Estates	10	-1	...	...	...
47.80	Debenhm Twsn	114	...	...	3.8	18.5
3.78	De Morgan	8	...	...	...	...
31.30	Dencora	168	-2	...	2.5	47.2
81.80	Derwent Hldgs	263	-4	...	2.2	23.5
62.40	Development Sec	21½	-½	...	...	...
26.20	Dwyer	51	...	...	...	...
22.20	Estates Agency	370†	...	...	3.5	44.7
5.67	Estates Gen	26½	...	...	...	...
195.10	Evans Of Leeds	117	-1	...	2.7	20.4
32.20	Ex-Lands	29	-1	...	1.5	...
30.60	Fiscal Prop	70	...	...	...	...
26.30	Five Oaks	27	...	...	0.9	...
5.12	Fletcher King	59†	-4	...	3.2	29.3
219.10	Frogmore	433	-4	...	4.7	19.1
53.10	Grainger	265	-1	...	2.5	47.3
563.60	Gr Portland	177	-2	...	5.6	33.7
176.40	Greycoat	14	-½	...	...	...
4,449.20	HK Land	165½	-13	...	3.8	∞
154.70	Hambro Cntyw	47	-1	...	0.7	47.7
922.60	Hammerson	326	-15	...	3.8	32.7
58.40	Helical Bar	358	-12	...	2.0	14.3
54.00	Hemingway	33	...	...	1.5	56.7
7.84	Herring Baker	49	-2	...	3.8	...
3.38	Jermyn	169	...	...	...	32.9
3,100.80	Land Sec	608	-15	...	4.9	17.3
227.00	Lon Merch Sec	93	-2	...	5.6	13.7
4.55	Lon & Metro	10	...	...	...	0.5
1,725.70	MEPC	424	-11	...	5.9	24.4
3.61	McInerney A	6	-½	...	...	...
43.80	McKay Secs	103†	-2	...	3.6	18.1
11.60	Merivale Mre	85	+11	...	3.0	∞
22.20	Moorfield Est	33†	...	...	3.8	...
36.40	Mountview	1231½	...	...	2.3	13.2
163.00	Muckflow (A&J)	167	...	...	4.6	24.2
1.84	OEM	30	-1	...	...	...
18.60	Olives Prop	38	-1	...	...	14.2
187.60	PSIT	154†	-1	...	3.8	21.8
205.10	Peel	357†	-2	...	2.2	∞
178.80	Power Corp	158	-1	...	2.9	...
13.10	Premier Land	5½	-½	...	...	...
56.20	Raglan	34†	+1	...	...	12.5
32.20	Regalian	27½	-1	...	...	10.4
21.20	Rowlinson Secs	170	-5	...	1.3	10.8
20.70	Rugby Est	115	...	...	2.5	...
60.90	St Modwen Prp	52	+1	...	2.9	13.0
62.00	Saville Grdn (J)	62†	+½	...	5.4	∞
27.70	Savills	73	-2	...	3.9	∞
113.40	Scot Met	87	+1	...	2.3	...
49.60	Shaftesbury	102	-2	...	...	...
0.77	Shield	8	...	...	...	4.2
889.70	Slough Estates	228†	-2	...	4.4	48.8
63.40	Southend Prop	59†	-2	...	5.1	...
43.20	Stanhope Prps▲	26	...	...	...	...
46.00	TBI	37½	-1	...	...	2.0
87.50	Tops Ests	189†	...	...	1.5	45.0
128.80	Town Centre	125	...	...	3.5	22.4
63.80	Trafford Park	94	...	...	4.3	∞
2.25	UK Land	52	+1	...	...	...
112.30	Warner	231†	-5	...	6.1	22.2
88.30	Warnford	230†	...	...	4.2	19.0
2.76	Waterglade	2½	+½	...	...	...
129.00	Wates	65	-5	...	...	...
6.40	Wood John D▲	78	-1	...	3.2	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2.34	Automagic▲	41	...	...	...	...
74.10	Chamb Phipps	166	...	...	5.5	21.8
17.60	Lambert	143	-7	...	6.1	13.3
15.20	Pittards	70	-1	...	1.8	...
39.20	Strong & Fisher▲	23	+2	...	5.4	15.7
46.70	Stylo	244†	+2	...	2.0	23.5
21.20	UK Safety	55	-1	...	6.0	11.3

TEXTILES

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
178.00	Allied Text	510†	-3	...	3.2	15.7
6.35	Beckman (A)	52	...	...	8.6	11.1
3.35	Bolton Gp	18	+2½	...	...	...
26.60	Br Mohair	200	+10	...	5.3	27.0
166.00	Claremont Gs	308	-5	...	3.1	16.0
512.60	Courtauld Text	504	-10	...	3.6	19.8
265.70	Dawson	136	-4	...	2.8	...
5.12	Drummond	29	...	...	...	12.9
8.99	Faupel▲	77	+2	...	8.0	13.0
2.02	Foster (John)	18	-1	...	...	...
7.39	Gaskell	152†	+½	...	3.5	...
54.30	Helene Plc	27½	-1	...	9.1	11.3
58.50	Hicking Pntcst	251	-5	...	2.3	17.8
4.75	Jerome (S)	63	+1	...	1.0	31.9
112.00	Lamont	372	...	...	4.2	14.2
83.50	Leeds	292	...	...	2.5	14.9
6.20	Lyles (S)	86	...	...	4.0	...
16.00	Parkland	181	-13	...	3.5	10.8
161.40	Readicut	93	-1	...	5.2	14.2
2.13	SEET	53	-1	...	...	...
36.50	Sirdar	105	-1	...	6.7	∞
54.10	Stirling Gp	62†	...	...	3.8	17.2
23.20	Stoddard	35	...	...	5.7	13.2
14.90	Tomkinsons	240	...	...	6.0	22.6
14.40	West Trust	34†	-½	...	9.2	23.8
27.70	Yorklyde	278	...	...	2.7	13.5

TOBACCOS

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
12,728.70	BAT	413†	-21	...	6.3	10.8
2,768.10	Rothmans	417	-12	...	4.0	22.2

TRANSPORT

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,047.80	Assoc Br Ports	278	-4	...	2.2	26.3
4,951.30	BAA	484	-4	...	2.3	30.6
147.80	Badgerline	117	-1	...	4.4	...
3,652.90	Br Airways	382½	-19½	...	3.6	12.0
21.50	Clarkson (H)	96	-4	...	2.3	24.1
1,217.70	Eurotunnel Uts	274	-5	...	...	...
13.20	Fisher (James)	55	...	...	...	...
43.80	IoM Steam	146	...	...	3.8	11.1
14.00	Jacobs (JI)	47†	...	...	4.4	...
66.50	Lon O'Seas Frts	91†	...	...	5.2	2.1
378.20	Mersey Docks	423†	-2	...	2.8	20.5
175.20	Nat Express	336	-4	...	2.9	20.8
1,101.90	NFC	199	-4	...	5.6	24.2
419.40	Ocean Group	272	+4	...	6.7	13.5
29.80	Ocean Wilson	75	-1	...	5.3	9.6
3,973.20	P & O Dfd	660	+3	...	5.9	23.1
128.60	P & O 5 1/2%	193	+2	...	3.6	...
383.90	Powell Duffryn	570	+10	...	5.1	16.4
22.50	Seacon▲	91†	+1	...	3.2	20.7
256.70	Stagecoach	209½	+½	...	2.4	20.8
681.70	TNT	120	...	...	...	...
359.30	Tibbet & Britn	813	-15	14.2	2.2	21.9
38.70	Tiphook	35	-3	...	...	...
319.00	TDG	216†	-12	...	5.3	14.5
33.00	Ugland	136†	...	...	0.7	∞
34.20	Utd Carriers	101†	-½	...	2.0	...

WATER

Mkt cap (£million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,588.20	Anglian Water	536†	-23	...	5.3	13.8
56.40	Mid Kent Hldgs	330	-3	...	4.4	11.1
452.20	Northumbrian	666†	-25	...	4.6	7.2
2,050.00	North West	552†	-7	...	5.2	8.2
1,956.50	Severn Trent	545†	-16	...	5.2	7.6
963.20	Sthrn Water	573†	-9	...	5.0	8.3
101.20	Sth Staffs	1740	...	...	3.7	11.5
674.80	South West	536	+4	...	5.9	7.9
2,020.70	Thames Water	509	+2	...	5.5	8.8
962.50	Welsh Water	662†	-19	...	4.8	7.3
772.40	Wessex Water	615†	-31	...	4.8	8.2
1,068.50	Yorkshire W	534†	-19	...	5.3	7.8

Source: Finstat

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; ‡ Ex rights issue; § Ex all; ¶ Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,800	Treas 9% 1994	100[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.95	5.48
2,350	Treas 12% 1995	102[illegible]	-[illegible]	11.75	5.75
214	Gas 3% 1990-95	98[illegible]	...	3.05	5.78
2,500	Exch 10¼% 1995	102[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.96	6.67
840	Treas 12¾% 1995	106[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.01	7.07
770	Treas 14% 1996	108[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.92	7.32
1,150	Treas 15¼% 1996	111[illegible]	-[illegible]	13.68	7.58
800	Exch 13¼% 1996	108[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.21	7.66
3,409	Conv 10% 1996	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.63	7.98
1,250	Treas 13¼% 1997	110[illegible]	-[illegible]	11.97	8.13
3,700	Exch 10½% 1997	104[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.01	8.24
5,550	Treas 8¾% 1997	100[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.67	8.39
830	Exch 15% 1997	117[illegible]	-1	12.80	8.54
3,550	Exch 9¾% 1998	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.45	8.60
7,850	Treas 7¼% 1998	95[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.55	8.59
1,300	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	94[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.17	8.64
970	Treas 14% 1998-01	115[illegible]	-1[illegible]	12.09	8.82
935	Treas 15½% 1998	122[illegible]	-1[illegible]	12.62	8.67
3,909	Exch 12% 1998	110[illegible]	-1[illegible]	10.84	8.81
1,900	Treas 9½% 1999	102[illegible]	-1	9.28	8.79

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
5,903	Treas 6% 1999	89[illegible]	-[illegible]	6.72	8.72
3,050	Exch 12¼% 1999	112[illegible]†	-1[illegible]	10.93	8.91
1,252	Treas 10½% 1999	106[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.90	8.85
1,798	Conv 10¼% 1999	105[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.74	8.92
5,354	Conv 9% 2000	100[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.97	8.91
3,171	Treas 13% 2000	117[illegible]	-1[illegible]	11.10	9.10
3,650	Treas 7% 2001	89[illegible]	-1[illegible]	7.82	8.99
4,406	Treas 10% 2001	104[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.61	9.11
6,527	Treas 9¾% 2002	103[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.45	9.15
7,600	Treas 8% 2003	93[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.55	9.08
2,503	Treas 10% 2003	105[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.52	9.15
1,620	Treas 11½% 2001-04	110[illegible]†	-1[illegible]	10.42	9.32
543	Fund 3½% 1999-04	70[illegible]	-1[illegible]	4.98	7.94
6,250	Treas 6¾% 2004	85[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.91	8.96
3,412	Conv 9½% 2004	102[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.28	9.12
4,842	Conv 9½% 2005	102[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.25	9.09
2,300	Treas 12½% 2003-05	118[illegible]	-1[illegible]	10.53	9.38
2,000	Treas 8% 2002-06	92[illegible]†	-[illegible]	8.66	9.07
3,900	Treas 7¾% 2006	90[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.52	8.99
3,150	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	113[illegible]	-1[illegible]	10.37	9.40
5,897	Treas 8½% 2007	96[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.82	8.96
1,250	Treas 13½% 2004-08	125[illegible]	-1[illegible]	10.76	9.30
5,321	Treas 9% 2008	100[illegible]†	-1[illegible]	8.95	8.03

LONGS (over 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
3,100	Treas 8% 2009	92[illegible]†	-1[illegible]	8.64	8.92
4,273	Conv 9% 2011	101[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.89	8.85
5,150	Treas 9% 2012	101[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.88	8.83
1,000	Treas 5½% 2008-12	72[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.64	8.58
800	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	90[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.56	8.75
4,950	Treas 8% 2013	92[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.62	8.78
1,000	Exch 12% 2013-17	127[illegible]	-2[illegible]	9.43	8.98
6,950	Treas 8¾% 2017	100[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.74	8.74

UNDATED

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,909	War Ln 3½%	40[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.70	...
475	Treas 2½%	27[illegible]†	-[illegible]	8.97	...

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Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,200	Treas IL 2% 1996	198[illegible]	-[illegible]	2.73	4.12
800	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	106[illegible]	-[illegible]	2.94	3.69
1,500	Treas IL 2½% 2001	164[illegible]†	-[illegible]	3.42	3.86
1,050	Treas IL 2½% 2003	160[illegible]	-[illegible]	3.53	3.88
1,000	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	108†	-[illegible]	3.53	3.87
1,850	Treas IL 2% 2006	166[illegible]	-[illegible]	3.62	3.88
1,650	Treas IL 2½% 2009	150[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.67	3.91
1,950	Treas IL 2½% 2011	155[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.70	3.91
2,300	Treas IL 2½% 2013	127[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.74	3.93
2,700	Treas IL 2½% 2016	136[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.75	3.93
2,400	Treas IL 2½% 2020	130[illegible]†	-1[illegible]	3.79	3.94
2,100	Treas IL 2½% 2024	108[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.78	3.92
1,300	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	107[illegible]	-1[illegible]	3.82	3.97

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EC blunders into a media minefield

Strasbourg politicians want new laws to regulate publishing and broadcasting, says **George Brock**

As the Jacques Delors era at the European Commission draws to a close, the eurocrats he will leave behind are beginning to write their agenda for the next five years. One document circulating inside the Commission this summer gave a clue to what will be one of the noisiest skirmishes. The European Union is tip-toeing towards a pan-European law limiting the number of newspapers or broadcasting stations that can be held by one company.

The Commission has shown every sign of reluctance to enter this minefield, but is being pushed by members of the European Parliament, who want a raft of new laws to regulate publishing, journalism and broadcasting. For the past 18 months, the Commission has been circulating questionnaires to publishing and broadcasting groups across the EU and digesting their replies. The result was a 40-page paper recommending the issuing of a "media concentration" directive.

Ten days ago, what looked like a solid majority inside the Commission unravelled when the commissioners sent the paper back to their officials for more work. Britain's senior commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, and Belgium's Karel van Miert successfully demanded a further study on whether the EU could justify overruling national legislation on media ownership.

Years of wrangling between the Commission, national governments and the European Parliament will doubtless follow. But a directive is still likely in the end.

The Commission's paper begged more questions than it answered. Officials were moving towards a law barring a single "media controller" from owning media reaching more than 30 per cent of a national radio, television or newspaper market. Assessing the detailed effects of such a law is impossible, since officials have not even worked out how they define a media controller or how to count shares of audience and readership.

However, big media groups such as Germany's Bertelsmann, Leo Kirch — the reclusive German magnate now moving towards control of the Axel Springer newspapers — and News International, owner of *The Times*, face the risk that a directive might force them to break up their holdings.

The Commission recoils from anything so drastic and is telling the industry that it is only thinking of setting limits to future acquisitions. But the increasingly powerful Parliament may insist on divestment of holdings considered excessive. The subject is already an acutely sensitive agenda issue between the Italian government and the Commission. The television empire of Silvio Berlusconi, the Italian Prime Minister, is one of those that are large enough to sit squarely in a directive's sights.

Squeezed between impatient MEPs and suspicious media groups, the Commission has so far committed itself only to the conclusion that a majority of media "operators" want the EU to intervene. The paper had two aims: guaranteeing pluralism and sorting out the tangle of national law on media ownership so as to encourage investment. But assertions that an EU law is needed to ensure pluralism are unconvincing. The Commission's opening "green paper" in 1992 said protection of pluralism was best left to national governments.

The paper also frankly admitted that media companies' attitudes to a new law tended to reflect their own shapes. The EU encompasses 12 states and nine separate language markets; the circulation and audience of papers and channels that cross language frontiers are relatively insignificant.

Companies such as Pearson, which publishes the *Financial Times*, have holdings in several European states but no very large market shares in any of them. High-profile owners may have expanded into other markets, but have done so from powerful positions in their home bases. Companies spread thinly across the Continent are keener on a directive than groups that are strong in individual national markets.



The Commission's paper on media holdings begged more questions than it answered

Any directive will be written by Commission officials charged with opening up the pan-European market, and much of the business pressure for a directive comes from broadcasters confronted with a tangled skein of national laws. Most limit newspaper moguls' holdings in radio and television, and vice versa.

The European Publishers Council has tried setting out Britain's cross-ownership laws in a comprehensive diagram. Scanning terrestrial, satellite and cable television, radio, newspapers, telecommunications and computers, they counted 84 different possible combinations of buyers and sellers who face some restriction. But Britain's broadcasters operate under relatively unrestrictive laws.

ITV pointed out to the Commission that anybody can take 100 per cent of a British independent channel, while nobody can take more than 25 per cent of a Spanish or Greek channel or more than 50 per cent of a French or German one. In Britain, one person or company can own an unlimited number of satellite channels; in Italy the limit is three, in France one.

"In view of the high standards of regulation on ownership set in some national states . . . it would be appropriate for a directive to set minimum (but adequate) transnational standards," Channel 4 told Brussels last year. Companies hoping to drive their products down information highways and deliver new products to new consumers by new cross-border routes, want old laws adapted to new technology.

Several companies, including News International, argued that the legal patchwork does not block cross-border investment. The Commission's paper acknowledges that "no concrete case of a measure taken by a national authority restricting the establishment or free circulation of broadcasting has been presented".

Commission officials are also heading for a collision with the BBC, Europe's largest public broadcaster. The BBC has argued that it cannot be treated as a "media controller", since its output is too vast and diverse to be counted as a homogeneous whole. So far, the Commission is unimpressed and says an exemption for public broadcasters would "raise multiple questions".

The Commission's paper concludes that "at the same time as there exists a safety rule for guaranteeing pluralism, investment in the media would be encouraged by an opening up of the market and the legal certainty created by a European framework. Otherwise, if the safety measures stay national, investors will be discouraged and the competivity of national companies will be limited by the strategies of 'national champions', 'barons' and complex, fragmented shareholdings."

Many remain suspicious. Angela Mills, of the European Publishers Council, said: "We have to reserve judgment until we see the words on the page, but we would support liberalisation of the market. What we will not support is something which just reinforces the status quo at national level. We're looking for a genuine liberalisation."

Jane Reed, of News International, thinks that the Commission is heading towards a law that will unfairly penalise conventional broadcasters and newspapers. "If you believe — and we don't — that consumers are blindly influenced by the media they watch, then surely it must follow that news delivered through the computer and entertainment poured down telephone wires and through cable systems will have just as much influence as traditional programming through conventional delivery systems."

Several companies canvassed by the Commission suggested plural ownership could more simply be guaranteed by amending the EU's existing competition regulations. John Edwards, of Sidley and Austin, solicitors specialising in media law, argues: "It would have been quite easy to graft something on to the Merger Regulation and to add criteria tailor-made for securing pluralism in media mergers and acquisitions." The idea was indeed floated inside the Commission in Brussels. The anti-trust lawyers told the single market officials that they wanted nothing to do with such a horribly sensitive subject.

Bouquets, not brickbats

ENCOURAGING to see that it is not only the giants of the construction world who are honoured with the tap of a hod. Others on the builders' ladder are also being acknowledged as "bricks" by their peers. Ian Dixon, 55, head of Willmott Dixon, a small, private company that built the Tower Hill Pageant attraction next to the Tower of London, has, at a reception at the Institution of Civil Engineers, been showered with bouquets — not bricks. He is the first recipient of the Construction Achievement Award, inaugurated to honour the individual who has made the greatest contribution to the industry over the past five years and launched to commemorate the fifth anniversary of *New Builder* magazine. Dixon was president of the Chartered Institute of Building during 1989-1990 and, from 1991 until this year, chairman of the Construction Industry Council, which represents all the industry's professional bodies.

On the rich side

THREE hundred years ago, Lloyd's of London served coffee. Three hundred years on, it is serving dinner — and at prices that could well make it the most expensive dining in London. In what appears to be a scheme to recoup money from those names still solvent after five years of losses, the famed Adam Room is for hire. Dinner menus start at £120 a head, including room hire, butler service, wines and champagne reception. However, flowers from £250 and cigars from £8 are extra. Diners can be serenaded by a pianist, from £175, a harpist, at £225, or a string quartet, from £500. After dinner coffee is thought to be free, and so is the loo.

Standing room

WHOEVER said a seminar on employment can only send you to sleep? Davenport Lyons, the media law firm of Old Burlington Street, held its first employment seminar for media and advertising creative types a few months ago, and set out 30 chairs in its smallish offices. Forty turned up! So the firm is staging another seminar on September 27. David Phillips, chief executive, says this time he is setting out even more chairs.

MEANWHILE, Michael Beckett, former managing director of Consolidated Gold Fields, current chairman of Horace Clarkson, and of Watts Blake Bearne, a director of Ashanti, of Amstrad and of BPB Industries — phew! — is becoming further employed and donning yet another executive hat. A week today, and at the suggestion of institutional shareholders, he becomes chairman of the property group Greycoat, where, since March 1, George Constantinidi has been keeping the top seat warm as acting chairman.

Breathless

IF YOUR accountant is out of breath today, odds are he was one of 1,200 who took to the London streets at the weekend for the Pannell Kerr Forster/Sally Gunnell Runnerthon — the first of a dozen such charity fund raisers. PKF entered 100 runners, including some clients, and expects to raise more than £50,000 in sponsorship. More runs are planned in other cities, so if you do not want the filing of your annual accounts delayed, be careful when driving. Meanwhile, the City of London Emergency Rwanda Appeal (Colera) launched last month to raise £1 million, has £105,000 so far.

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Thirst for malts lifts Macallan

A 44 per cent upturn in sales of the Macallan single malt brands lifted half-year profits at Macallan-Glenlivet, the Grampian distiller, to £2.58 million before tax in the six months to the end of June, from £2.16 million.

Strengthening demand for single malts offset a decline in sales of new fillings and the impact of lower interest receipts. Earnings were 1.57p a share, rising from 1.37p, and the interim dividend is lifted to 0.41p a share, from 0.36p.

Turnover climbed to £7.14 million, from £6.49 million, and operating profits to £2.34 million, from £1.88 million. Margins were maintained by keeping costs under control, although a reduction in the workforce was avoided. Macallan-Glenlivet said full-year profits were likely to be higher than in 1993.

Keller rises

Keller Group, the international engineering concern, is meeting increasing competition in western Germany, but is confident about its overall prospects for 1994. Sir Thomas Macpherson, chairman, senses the recovery in Britain's construction industry is in its very early stages, and adds that the group order book is stronger. Keller, which was floated in April, reports pre-tax profits for the first half of 1994 of £3 million (£2.15 million). There is a foreign income dividend of 0.5p.

OIS revamp

OIS International Inspection is to recruit a new chief executive and appoint a new finance director as part of a recovery plan after reporting a collapse in pre-tax profits for the first half of the year to £60,000 (£1.44 million). The company claims that annual cost savings of £1.2 million will start to help in the second half. Its headquarters will move from Newark to its Aberdeen base, and the group aims to concentrate on more high-value business. The interim dividend is cut from 0.7p to 0.5p.

Coal sale

Bruntcliffe Aggregates, owner of mineral reserves in Britain and America, is selling its Lorasen Coal business in America to the Mineral and General Investments group for $2.4 million. Bruntcliffe reported £792,000 (£132,000) pre-tax profits for the six months to June 30.

REPORTING THIS WEEK

Tesco set to ring up interim rise

TESCO, Britain's second largest food retailer, headed by Sir Ian MacLaurin, should show a modest rise in first half profits, reflecting good underlying sales growth and a continued recovery in gross margins.

Philip Dorgan at Goldman Sachs, expects the supermarkets group to report interim pre-tax profits, due tomorrow, of £248 million, against £261 million last time, though last year's headline figure is expected to be reduced by an estimated £30 million depreciation charge. Market forecasts range from £242 million to £252 million. Mr Dorgan has pencilled in an interim dividend of 2.65p (2.4p).

Analysts who await news on the supermarket price war, said that Tesco had lifted its performance since the middle of 1993 with its value line of low-priced products and by improving its marketing skills, level of service in stores and buying arrangement.

Like-for-like sales growth of at least 3 per cent is expected, though the future operating margin is likely to be flat, or down slightly, while volume growth is expected to get tougher and inflation remains low. Mr Dorgan said: "Price is going to remain important to the customers, and food retailers will find it difficult to pass on increases."

Analysts also await word of the current trading and future prospects, and progress at William Low, the Scottish supermarkets group headed by James Millar, that Tesco acquired for £247 million in the summer.



JAMES MORGAN

Sir Ian MacLaurin, right, and James Millar of William Low, recently taken over by Tesco

The Anglia Television share controversy involving Lord Archer could be rekindled when Lord Hollick's MAI reports annual results. It was the takeover of Anglia by the financial services and media group this year that led to a Department of Trade inquiry after share-dealing allegations against Lord Archer, whose wife, Mary, is a non-executive director of the TV company. The DTI decided to take no further action.

Continued strength in financial services, a resilient second half in money and securities broking, plus a maiden profit contribution from Meridian TV, will boost full-year profits at MAI.

Without exceptional items, full-year pre-tax profits are expected to grow to between £88 million and £110 million, compared with £80.2 million last time, though net exceptional charges of about £12 million will reduce the FRS3 number. A dividend of 7.5p-7.7p (6.9p) is forecast.

First half pre-tax profits at Morgan Crucible, the industrial materials group, are forecast to advance to between £34 million and £36.5 million, up from £32.5 million last time. A maintained interim dividend of 5.75p is predicted.

Interims: Andaman Resources, Anglo-Eastern Plantations, Bemrose Corp, BLP Group, Britannia Group, Dinkie Heel, Edinburgh Fund Managers, Ferry Pickering, ISA Intl, Isle of Man Steam Packet, Jardine Matheson Holdings, Magnolia Group, Mauritius Fund, Morgan Crucible, Rhino Group, Roxboro Group, Sanderson Bramall, Wakebourne. **Finals:** GT Japan Investment Trust, Kleinwort Development, MAI, Tumpyke Group.

TUESDAY

UBS expects full year pre-tax profits at Hays, the business services group, to advance to £85 million (£66.6 million). Market forecasts range from £84 million to £86 million. A dividend of 6.1p-6.4p (5.3p) is predicted. Strong growth is anticipated in all three divisions (distribution, commercial and personnel), together with a positive statement on the current trading outlook.

Interims: Antofagasta Holdings, Automotive Precision, BSM Group, BSG International, Bodycote International, Brake Bros, Jardine Strategic Holdings, Bernard Matthews, Michelin, Nelson Hurst, Parambe, RPH, Secure Trust, Sentry Farming, Swissair, Tesco, Travis Perkins, Wassall, Wolstenholme Rink. **Finals:** Bryant Group, Hays, Waverley Mining Finance. **Economic statistics:** Cross border acquisitions and mergers (Q2), building societies' monthly figures (August), major British banking groups' monthly statement (end-August), provisional estimates of M4 and counterparts (August).

WEDNESDAY

British Aerospace's sale of Rover Cars to BMW could send headline first-half profits at the arms-to-aircraft group rocketing above £500 million. The underlying trend, however, will show a far slower ascent from the last three years of heavy losses and rationalisations needed to reverse the group's past disastrous diversification.

NatWest Securities has pencilled in interim pre-tax profits of £75 million (£20 million). Stripping out exceptionals, market forecasts range from £50 million to £135 million. An interim dividend of 4p (3.3p) is predicted. Hit by recession in civil aircraft markets and an overstretched balance sheet, BAe has undergone an intensive course of rationalisation and sell-offs. In the past two years, BAe has made £1.25 billion in provisions to knock its regional passenger aircraft businesses into shape: it has sold off Rover for £800 million, plus debt; its Corporate Jets business for £250 million, and the Ballast Nedam construction firm for £175 million. But the company still has more work to do as it seeks to shrink down to its core defence and aerospace businesses. BAe has also just settled a long-running post-completion dispute with Raytheon of the US over valuations on its purchase of Corporate Jets last year.

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THURSDAY

BZW is looking for Guinness, the spirits and brewing group, to report first half pre-tax profits of £335 million (£305 million).

Market forecasts range from £328 million to £335 million. Analysts said profits will be flattered by currency considerations and a drop in interest charges.

Panmure Gordon expects first half pre-tax profits at RMC Group, the building materials group, to climb to £100 million (£94.8 million). Market forecasts range from £90 million to £100 million.

Interim figures from United Newspapers, publisher of the *Daily* and *Sunday Express*, are likely to provide some indication of how severe the newspaper price war has been.

A leap in advertising income will offset any damage to national newspapers, which account for 20 per cent of United's profits.

At the pre-tax level, they are forecast to rise to between £64 million and £65 million (£51.3 million), with a dividend of 7.8p-8p (7.5p).

Interims: Laura Ashley, Cassell, Credit Lyonnais, Dagenham Motors, EW Fact, Geest, Guinness, Hampden Group, Headlam Group, Highcroft Inv, Jeyes Group, S Jerome & Sons, Alfred McAlpine, More O'Ferrall, Norcor Holdings, RMC Group, Spandex, Wm Morrison, TI Group, United Newspapers. **Finals:** Alumasc Group, Biocure Holdings, CLS Holdings, EFM Dragon Trust, Ernest Green & Partners, Europe Energy, Heritage, Industrial Control, Kinta Kellas, Lloyd Thompson, Murray Ventures, Pantheon Intl Participations, Pizza-express, Premium Trust, Towry Law. **Economic statistics:** Engineering sales and orders at current and constant prices (July), motor vehicle production (August), financial statistics (September), institutional investment (Q2).

FRIDAY

Hepworth, the clay pipes specialist, is expected to lift interim pre-tax profits to £35 million (£27.5 million), according to UBS.

A maintained dividend of 5.5p is predicted. Analysts said that competition in eastern Germany, coupled with technical problems in the clay pipe line serving the German market, are compounding weakness in the clay pipes business.

Interims: Alpha Airports, Automotive Products, Breedon, Foreign & Colonial Pacific, Norman Hay, Hepworth, Joseph Holt, Intl Inv Trust Co of Jersey, Jove Investment Trust, Storm Group. **Finals:** Go-Ahead Group, Goodwin, Wiggins Group. **Economic statistics:** Quarterly national accounts (Q2), UK balance of payments (Q2), CBI monthly trends enquiry (September), inland revenue statistics (1994).

PHILIP PANGALOS

GILT-EDGED

Shot against inflation may be own-goal

Last week's base-rate rise may have helped the Chancellor's reputation in the gilt market. Unfortunately, the people who matter — those who set wages and prices — have more important things to worry about than Kenneth Clarke's standing. Not least of these is the need to earn a living. This need means that higher base rates may actually *add* to inflation during the next year or two.

This is because the increase will raise companies' costs, since some workers may get wage rises to "compensate" them for higher mortgage bills and since the cost of working capital has increased. The desire to cover those costs is not the only reason firms will want to raise prices. Higher interest rates mean that money is that much more valuable in hand now than in the future. So, as rates go up, firms will more and more want their cash flow straight away, rather than in the future. Price rises, at the expense of volume increases, are one way in which companies can achieve this.

> Who thought in May 1988, when base rates rose from 7.5 per cent, that they would peak at 15?

Should higher interest rates not also mean weaker demand, which will prevent firms from raising prices? Not so — at least not yet. First, there are lags of well over a year between rate changes and changes in activity; rates peaked in 1989, but the trough of the recession was not until 1992. Second, the extent to which firms can raise prices and margins depends not just on demand, but on intensity of competition. With import prices 4 per cent higher than a year ago, foreign competition is not intense. Nor is domestic competition, with increasing numbers of firms, in manufacturing at least, hitting capacity constraints.

On its own, the upward effect on inflation of last week's rate rise would be tiny. However, it threatens to add to what will be a rising trend. The six-month annualised inflation rate for "core" producer prices has risen from 1.1 per cent to 2.2 per cent in just three months. The Chancellor expects more to come. In a statement with the rate rise, he said: "Cost and price pressures may start to pick up ... recent CBI surveys have shown an increasing proportion of companies expecting to raise their prices."

This suggests that last week's rise will soon be seen as insufficient, because inflation will pick up surprisingly quickly. This is not simply because Mr Clarke is acting too late, nor because he is under-estimating inflationary pressures — although he is. It is also because higher interest rates mean *higher* inflation.

A trivial implication of this is that further base-rate rises are almost certain. Less trivial is that rates may rise by more than expected. Who thought in May 1988, when rates rose from 7.5 per cent, that they would peak at 15 per cent? Who thought in November 1977, when rates rose from 5 per cent, that they would peak at 17 per cent?

Rising inflation and rising short rates is a nasty combination for the gilts market. What can be done? A shift further along the curve would, at best, be *damage limitation*. Not since 1969 — and then only very briefly — have we seen an inverted yield curve with single-figure short rates. A shift into equities would be even worse. Higher base rates threaten to hit earnings growth after 1995, especially if associated with sterling appreciation. What about a switch into index-linked? The spread between yields on conventional gilt-edged and index-linked stocks should widen. It is still narrower than its 1980s average, although there is little evidence of fundamental improvement in the UK's ability to keep inflation low.

How the widening occurs depends on overseas markets. If they feel that the Fed is winning against inflation, overseas bond markets may hold conventional yields down. In this case, a rising gilt/index-linked yield spread would require falling index-linked yields. Sadly, the markets are likely to be almost as disappointed by the Fed's fight against inflation as by the Bank of England's. Index-linked yields offer little refuge. The attractions of cash seem unavoidable.

CHRIS DILLOW
Nomura Research Institute

Political chemistry strengthens cobalt

BY COLIN CAMPBELL, MINING CORRESPONDENT

POLITICAL and economic uncertainty in Zaire, Zambia and Russia, the world's largest producers of cobalt, is expected to bring a sharp upturn in the price of the obscure metal which has wide range of industrial uses.

The price of cobalt has advanced steadily from a low of $11 a lb last December to about $25. In 1978, responding to problems in Zaire, the price rose from $6.75 to $49 a lb.

Although cobalt, like other metals, has been hit by international defence cuts, Friday's offering of 134,000 lbs of low grade cobalt from Defence Logistics of America's strategic stockpile was well absorbed by world markets at prices of up to $24.35 a lb.

DLA's offering was considerably smaller than the market wanted — one bidder sought 818,000lbs but was awarded only 55,000lbs.

World production was about 17,500 tons last year, but the metal is mainly a by-product of copper mining in Zaire and Zambia, and nickel mining in Canada and Cuba.

Cobalt is a relatively "friendly" metal with wide and stragetic applications: superalloys in aerospace for turbine blades, on video recording tape, in magnets, in anti-lock braking systems and air bags, and in the chemical industry, in paint, glass and ceramics. There are no readily available substitutes for many of the metal's uses.

A further source is soon to come on stream from Ego Resources, a Canadian group that is developing large "waste" deposits of the metal, associated with old silver mines, and has an obvious interest in seeing the price of cobalt rise.

Ego owns land outside the former mining town of Cobalt Camp, 300 miles northeast of Toronto, which was rich enough to boast two opera houses and a yacht club early this century. Ed Wenger, chairman, told institutional shareholders in London that Ego was within weeks of commissioning its high-tech process plant that upgrades "ordinary" cobalt into premium-commanding high purity compounds. The rich silver veins usually occurred in conjunction with cobalt, though early miners ignored the lesser metal. Today, the waste dumps abound with contained cobalt, previously ignored because of metallurgical difficulties. Ego claims its own process will safely contain the associated arsenic.

In the first full year of production, Ego — which has large tax losses — believes it can achieve a 12-month gross operating profit of $6 million.

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France Fr	8.74	8.04
Germany Dm	2.56	2.37
Greece Dr	385.00	360.00
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Netherlds Gld	2.867	2.657
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Dated 9th September 1994
Jamie Taylor - Liquidator.

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TO: ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
I, AL-KARIM P.T. LALANI who has resided for the past six months at 168 Adelaide Road, London NW3 3NL and carried on the trade or calling of re-trading the aforesaid period of six months of Company Director DO HEREBY GIVE YOU NOTICE that it is my intention to apply at the Licensing Sessions for the Licensing Division of SOUTH WESTMINSTER to be held at Westminster Council House, Marylebone Road, London NW1 on TUESDAY the 4th day of OCTOBER 1994 at 10.45am in the forenoon for the grant to ME of a Justices' OFF Licence authorising ME to sell by retail at the premises situate at Unit C,D and E, Western Concourse, Victoria Place, London SW1, in the said Licensing Division intoxicating liquor of all descriptions for consumption OFF the premises.
GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1994
A. LALANI.

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LONDON & BISHOPSGATE HOLDINGS (NORTH AMERICA) LTD
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Rule 11.2(1) of the Insolvency Rules 1986, that the liquidator of the above-named company intends within four (4) months from 15 November 1994 to declare a dividend to creditors. The creditors of the company are required, on or before 15 November 1994, to submit their proofs of debt to the undersigned Anthony William Brierley of 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT, the liquidator of the company, and, if so required, to provide such further details or produce such documentary or other evidence as may appear to the liquidator to be necessary. A creditor who has not proved his debt before the date mentioned above is not entitled to disturb, by reason that he has not participated in it, the first dividend, or any other dividend declared, including any dividend to shareholders, before his debt is proved.
Dated this 9 day of September 1994
A. W. Brierley Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
Systems Consulting Limited
In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation
I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I, O S Hoskas, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Stag Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London, W1M 1DA, was appointed Liquidator of the above named company on 2 September 1994. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to me. No further public advertisement of invitation to prove debts will be given.
Dated 12 September 1994
O S Hoskas, Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NORTHERN LIFTENG SERVICES LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at 11.30 am on the 23rd day of September 1994 at the offices of Ernst & Young, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB for the purposes mentioned in Section 100 and 101 of the said Act.
A list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors may be inspected at Ernst & Young, 6th Floor, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00pm on the 21st day of September 1994 and the 22nd day of September 1994.
For the purposes of voting a statement of claim and any proxy intended to be used at the meeting must be lodged with the secretary of the Company, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB not later than 12 noon on the 22nd day of September 1994.
Dated this 2nd day of September 1994
R PATES DIRECTOR.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NORTHAMPTON LIFTENG SERVICES LIMITED
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For the purposes of voting a statement of claim any proxy intended to be used at the meeting must be lodged with the secretary of the Company, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB not later than 12 noon on the 22nd day of September 1994.
Dated this 2nd day of September 1994
R PATES DIRECTOR.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986 VOKE CARPET MAINTENANCE LIMITED (In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the Members and Creditors on 6th September 1994.
M.R DORRINGTON. FIPA. Liquidator.

Mix 'N' Match Limited
Registered Number: 2838093
Nature of Business: Textiles & Clothing Manufacture
Trade Classification: 08
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Name of person appointing the Administrative Receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc
Names of persons appointed: Leo Antony Maguire and Simon Vincent Freakley both of Butcher Phillips 94 Grosvenor Street London W1X 9DF. (Office Holder Nos: 6477 and 8991)
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Jobs outlook the best for five years

By Philip Bassett
Industrial Editor

EMPLOYMENT prospects remain largely flat, according to a survey published today, but such has been the gloom over job creation that the latest figures still offer the best jobs outlook for five years.

Michael Portillo, the Employment Secretary, last week announced a further 34,200 fall in unemployment — a greater improvement than inaccurate City estimates had suggested. But government figures also showed that employment is still declining too, by almost the same amount over the past three months.

Whitehall officials think the unemployment total is likely to continue to fall by about 20,000 a month over the next few months. They are not, however, making even rough guesses about when employment will stop falling and jobs will start to increase again.

The latest survey from Manpower, the temporary employment company, appears to offer some hope of more jobs being created but there is little underlying sign of an improving trend. The survey covered more than 2,100 employers. Twenty-seven per cent of those surveyed forecast an increase in jobs over the final quarter of this year; 13 per cent predicted job losses.

The positive net balance of 14 per cent is an improvement on the 7 per cent balance for the same period last year and represents the best fourth-quarter prospect for five years. But it is marginally lower than the 15 per cent positive balance recorded for the third quarter of this year.

The Home Counties are now the most positive area of the UK, with a net balance of 20 per cent, compared with 3 per cent for the final quarter of 1993. London and the South East generally are much more optimistic than they were a year ago.

No region forecasts overall job cuts, though both Scotland and the North East are less optimistic about employment than they were. Scotland's positive balance is now 7 per cent, compared with 9 per cent last year.

In the North East, a balance of 5 per cent of employers surveyed predict more jobs overall, against 11 per cent a year ago.

Manufacturing, services and the public sector are all more optimistic about employment than they were a year ago, but the Manpower survey suggests that services are showing the clearest upswing. With a positive balance of 22 per cent, they have replaced manufacturing as the most optimistic sector.

Lilian Bennett, Manpower's chairman, said: "The increased demand is most noticeable for specific skills and employers are, in some cases, finding it difficult to meet their needs in these areas."

The GMB general union, which has analysed the latest government figures, argues that almost all the jobs being created are part-time. The union says that, during the second quarter of the year, 65,000 of the 68,000 jobs created were part-time, overwhelmingly in distribution, hotels and catering.

☐ The expansion of self-employment has contributed to growing income inequality in Britain, the Institute of Manpower Studies says. A study by the institute shows that the self-employed include not only successful entrepreneurs but also a significant and growing group with low incomes.

Bridging more than distance

The Meeting. *Radio 3, 9.30pm.*

Israel Zamir is deputy editor of an Israeli newspaper, living on a kibbutz. His father, Isaac Bashevis Singer, is a Nobel prizewinner, living in New York. For 20 years they were separated, the father having left the family home. A few letters passed between them, otherwise nothing. *The Meeting* is the son's account of his visit to America to make contact with the man he had not seen since he was five. Reconciliation took time. It was not just physical distance and the lapse of years that separated the two men. There was a wide philosophical, political and religious divide. *The Meeting*, a five-part series of readings by Zamir from his book, is a nugget of gold in tonight's Radio 3 programming.

The Monday Play: Good Morning Midnight. *Radio 4, 7.45pm.*

It was a 1958 BBC radio adaptation of Jean Rhys's book *Good Morning Midnight*, written in 1939, that ended a 19-year literary silence. By the time *Wide Sargasso Sea* appeared in 1966, she had again become a name to conjure with. Tonight's production of *Good Morning Midnight* was adapted by Roderick Graham, and is marvellously directed by Jane Morgan. Eileen Atkins plays the anchorless English woman who drifts through a 1930s Paris populated, in her words, by "a pack of damned hyenas". In essence, it is a long monologue. As always, Atkins's multi-hued voice makes a good script sound even better.

Peter Davalle

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. 4.00am Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show 6.30 Steve Wright in the Morning 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Emma Freud, incl 12.30-12.45pm Newsbeat 2.00 Mark Goodier live from Manchester, including at 3.45 The Adventures of Superman 4.00 Nicky Campbell, incl at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeat 7.00 Evening Session with Steve Lamacq and Jo Whiley 9.00 Alan's Big One Filcomedian Alan Davies returns 10.00 Mark Radcliffe, featuring 808 State 12.00-4.00am Lynn Parsons

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 6.00am Martin Kelner 6.15 Pause for Thought 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.15 Pause for Thought 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Jimmy Young 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.30 Ed Stewart 5.05 Paul Heiney 7.00 Crowned Huddis: A royal romp through history with Roy Hudd 7.30 London Calling 8.00 Campbell Burnap with Big Band Era 8.30 Big Band Special 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton with the Best of Jazz 10.00 The Joint is Jumpin' 10.30 The Jamesons 12.05am *Digby Fairweather with Jazz Notes* 1.00 Steve Madden 3.00-6.00 Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, incl at 6.55 and 7.55 Live Racing Preview 8.35 The Magazine, incl at 10.30 Europe News, and at 11.15 Actuality 12.00 Midday with Mair, incl at 12.34pm Moneycheck 2.05 Ruscoe on Five 4.00 John Inverdale Nationwide: news and sport 7.00 News Extra, incl at 7.20 Sport 7.35 Glory Nights: the 1981 ELIFA Cup Final — Ipswich Town v AZ 67 Alkmaar 8.00 *The Monday Match: Ipswich Town v Norwich City.* Live commentary from Portman Road 10.05 News Talk 11.00 Night Extra, incl at 11.45 The Financial World Tonight 12.05am The Other Side of Midnight 2.00 Up All Night

WORLD SERVICE

News on the hour. Times in BST. 4.30am BBC English 4.45 Fishmagazin 6.03 Morgenmagazin: in German 6.27 *News in German* 6.30 Europe Today 7.15 The Learning World 7.30 Daughters of Abraham 8.15 Off the Shelf 8.30 Liberation Now 9.15 Words of Faith 9.15 Health 9.30 Anything Goes 10.05 Business Report 10.15 Blues World 10.30 Learning World 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.01 Daughters of Abraham 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.30pm Composer of the Month: Emmanuel Chabrier 1.10 Words of Faith 1.15 Brain of Britain 1.45 Sport 2.05 Outlook 3.30 Off the Shelf 3.45 Mind Matters 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German 4.35 Heute Aktuell 5.15 BBC English 6.05 Business Report 6.15 Today 6.30 News and Features in German 8.05 Outlook 8.30 Europe 9.10 Words of Faith 9.15 Today 9.30 The Vintage Chart Show 11.05 Business Report 11.15 Rock Salad 11.45 Sport 12.30am Multitrack 1.15 Jolly Good Show 2.05 Outlook 2.30 Folk Routes 2.45 Health 3.30 Brain of Britain

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey 9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00 Susannah Simons 2.00pm Lunchtime Concerto: Krommer (Concertino for flute and oboe in C); 3.00 Jamie Crick 6.00 Classic Reports 7.00 A to Z of Classical Music 8.00 Evening Concert: Stravinsky (Dumbarton Oaks); Rachmaninov (Symphonic Dances); Stravinsky (Scènes de ballet); Dvořák (Symphony No 9, from the New World) 10.00 Jane Markham 1.00-6.00am André Lees.

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono 9.00 Richard Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Wendy Lloyd 7.00 Nick Abbot 10.00 N.J. Williams 2.00-6.00am Paul Coyle

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: Social Science Foundation Course Assignment 103 6.55 Weather 7.00 On Air: Ireland (A London Overture); Liszt (Transcendental Study No 7, Eroica); Haydn (Symphony No 18 in G); Purcell, arr Barbirolli (Suite for Strings); Schubert (Auf dem Strom); Prokofiev (Suite: Lieutenant Kije) 9.00 **Composer of the Week: William Walton.** Walton made his reputation in the 1920s with the Viola Concerto and Façade. Overture (Portsmouth Point); Viola Concerto: William Primrose, viola; Façade (excerpts), Edith Sitwell and Peter Pears, speakers, English Group Opera Ensemble under Anthony Collins 10.00 **Musical Encounters:** Nielsen (Overture Helios); *Artist of the Week:* Joan Sutherland, soprano. Handel (Tiranna gelosia. . . Torrami a vagheggiar, Alcina); Mozart (Sonata in D, K381); Torke (Ecstatic Orange); Glière (Concerto for coloratura soprano and orchestra); Lutoslawski (Variations on a theme of Paganini); Nielsen (Symphony No 2, the Four Temperaments) 12.00 **How to Make a Musical:** Don Black, the lyricist of *Sunset Boulevard*, explores the art of the composer with Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber, Richard Stilgoe and Leslie Bricusse 1.00pm **Liszt and the Viola.** Paul Coletti, viola, and Leslie Howard play Berlioz, arr Liszt (Harold in Italy); Chopin's Nocturne in B flat, Op 9 No 1, arr Liszt; Liszt (Romance oubliée) 2.00 **Schools:** Questions and Answers; Word Games; Storybox; Let's Move; First Steps in Drama 3.45 **Music for Organ:** Bach (The Eighteen: Stephen Cleobury, organ) 4.30 **The Guitar in Jazz:** Charles Alexander looks at the development of the American jazz guitar in the 1940s and 50s. With Barney Kessel 5.00 **The Music Machine:** The earliest harmonies and why they differ from ones we hear today 5.15 **In Tune,** with Andrew Green. Berlioz (Overture: La Corsaire); Saint-Saëns (Prelude in E flat, Op 99 No 3) 6.30 Beethoven (Piano Sonata, Op 10 No 1); Balfour Gardiner (Evening Hymn) 7.30 **Elektra:** Richard Strauss's opera, performed with the Chorus and Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, under Guiseppe Sinopoli 9.30 **The Meeting:** See Choice 9.45 **New World String Quartet:** George Perle (Quartet No 8, Windows of Order); Berg (Lyric Suite) 10.45 **Mixing It:** Unusual sounds, including improvisation, from Tenko and Tatsuya Yoshida 11.30 **Music Restored:** The Doleful Domps. Music from the Elizabethan and Jacobean courts, streets and taverns, by Gibbons, Dowland, Johnson, Nicholson and others. 1.00-2.00am **Night School:** Letterbox 1.20 Singing Together

RADIO 4

6.00am News Briefing 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day with Henry Tanket 6.30 Today incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 News 6.45 Business News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 J.B. Priestley Season: English Journey 8.58 Weather 9.00 **News 9.05 Start the Week:** Melvyn Bragg and guests, including Professor Michio Kaku, discuss hyperspace 10.00 **News; Wordly Wise** (FM only): The etymology panel game, with Simon Brett, Barry Cryer, Germaine Greer and Jan Ravens 10.00 **Daily Service** (LW only): from the Chapel of Harrogate Ladies' College, North Yorkshire 10.15 **Paradise Lost** (LW only): Part 11 of John Milton's epic poem 10.30 **Woman's Hour:** Introduced by Jenni Murray. *Serial: Burning Bright* 11.30 **Money Box Live:** 071-580 4444 12.00 **News; You and Yours** 12.25pm **Round Britain Quiz:** The North team of Margaret Lesser and Paul Barker challenge the London team of Irene Thomas and Eric Korn. The question masters are Gordon Clough and Tony Quinton 12.56 Weather 1.00 **The World at One** 1.40 **The Archers** (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 **News; The Birdwheel,** by Geoffrey Parkinson (r) 3.00 **Anderson Country** 4.00 **News 4.05 Kaleidoscope:** Robert Dawson Scott talks to the conductor Michael Tilson Thomas as the London Symphony Orchestra celebrates its 90th birthday 4.45 **Short Story: Love So Fleeting, Love So Fine:** Wendy is Back. By Carol Shields 5.00 **PM 5.50** Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 **Six O'Clock News** 6.30 **The News Quiz:** Barry Took is joined by Times columnist Alan Coren, Francis Wheen, Tony Hawks and Andrew Rawnsley (r) 7.00 **News 7.05 The Archers** 7.20 **A Word to the Wise:** How to Win Friends and Influence People. Rosalind Miles explores the art of conversation using flattery to get what you want 7.45 **Monday Play: Good Morning Midnight,** by Jean Rhys. See Choice 9.15 **The Miles Kington Interview:** Dr Samuel Johnson, played by Roger Allam 9.30 **Kaleidoscope 9.59** Weather 10.00 **The World Tonight** 10.45 **Book at Bedtime: The Stone Diaries,** by Carol Shields. The story of Daisy Goodwill from her birth in Manitoba in 1905 to her death, almost 90 years later, in Florida. Read by Shelley Thompson 11.00 **The Sailor:** With guests Edwina Currie MP, Andrew Davies, Vanessa Feltz, Andrew Neil and Michèle Roberts 12.00-12.30am **News,** incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43 As World Service (LW only)

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Exxon to challenge $5bn oil-spill award

EXXON Corp plans to appeal against a jury's award of $5 billion in punitive damages for the 1989 *Exxon Valdez* oil spill in Alaska, the second-largest civil judgment ever. After 12 days' deliberation, an 11-member jury in Anchorage ordered Exxon to pay the damages — equal to about a year's profit — in a class action brought on behalf of 12,000 people harmed by the oil spill in Prince William Sound five years ago.

The plaintiffs, including fishermen and property owners, had sought $15 billion, but expressed satisfaction at the award. However, Patrick Lynch, a lawyer for Exxon, described it as "shocking". The stock market had apparently expected a larger award and reacted favourably, with Exxon shares up $1.50, at $60.25, after the verdict was given on Friday. The spill, the worst in US history, dumped nearly 11 million gallons of oil into Alaska fishing grounds, polluting 1,500 miles of coast. Exxon argued that it had been punished by clean-up costs of $3 billion. However, in June, the jury found that recklessness by Exxon and the ship's captain caused the spill, making Exxon liable for punitive damages.

Aon to takeover JFS

AON Corporation, the acquisitive insurance group based in Chicago, is expected to announce the £72 million takeover of Jenner Fenton & Slade, the Lloyd's broker. Aon already has a strong presence in the UK through Nicholson Leslie, one of the six largest Lloyd's brokers formed earlier this year when Aon merged Nicholson Chamberlain Colls and Leslie & Godwin, businesses it had acquired over the past three years. JFS, the private specialist marine and energy broker, made a pre-tax profit of £6.65 million on brokerage revenue of £20 million in 1992. Last month, Aon reported second quarter pre-tax profits of $131.7 million ($112.9 million).

Tiphook behind chief

TIPHOOK, the leasing group, said it still viewed as a personal matter the private financial travails of Robert Montague, its chief executive. The board's continued support came after weekend estimates that Mr Montague's debts exceed £30 million, including loans from Germany's Commerzbank. A bankruptcy petition against Mr Montague over a £2.3 million debt to the Royal Bank of Scotland was revealed at the group's annual meeting. A spokesman for Tiphook, whose name is changing to Central Transport Rental, said: "The company will deal with facts as they arise and satisfy itself appropriately, rather than indulging in speculation."

Delay on derivatives

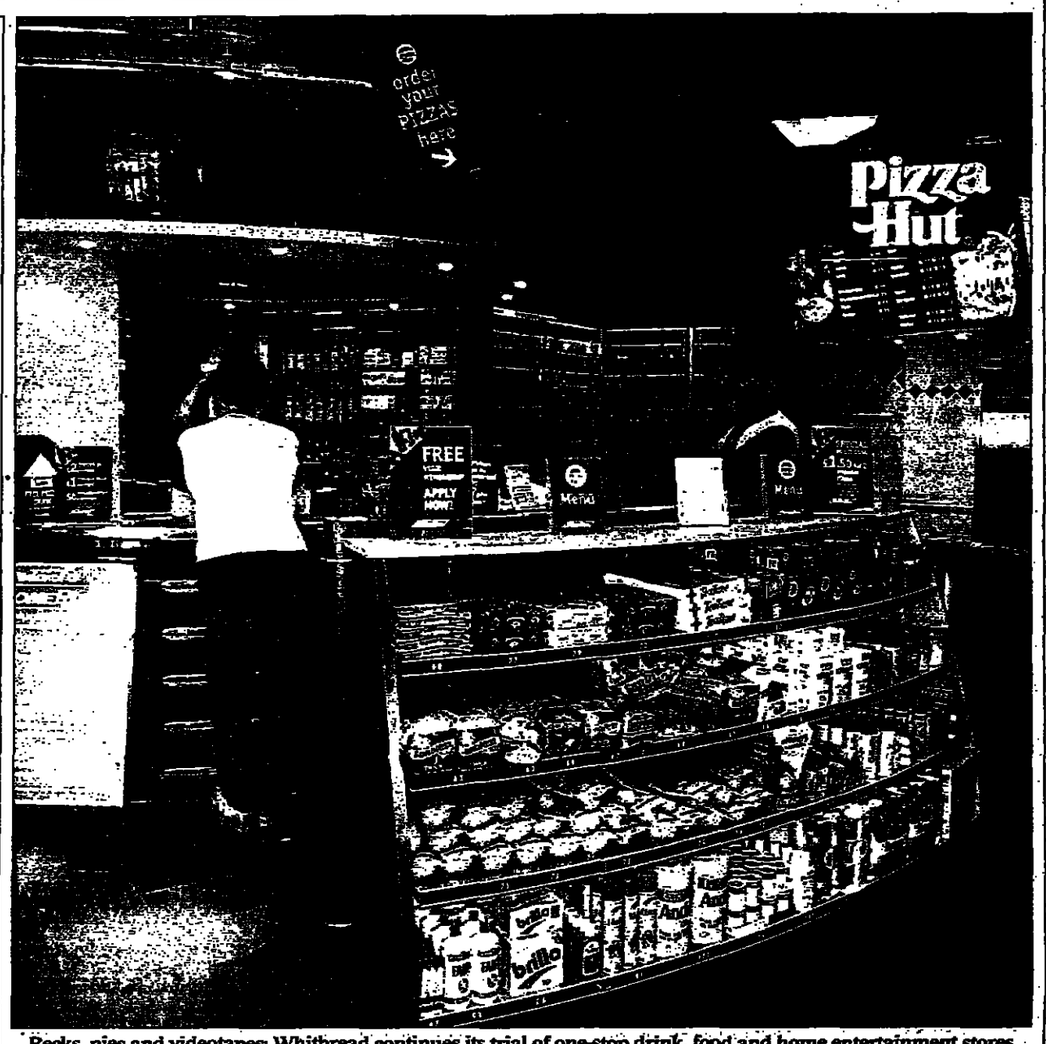
THE US Congress has shelved plans to bring in a law to regulate financial derivatives, such as swaps and options, and dealing in complex securities. Ten members of the House of Representatives banking committee, including Henry Gonzalez, its chairman, have asked for hearings on their proposed derivatives safety bill to be postponed from Wednesday until next year, bowing to US Treasury pressure to give rules set up by the industry a chance to work. The Treasury says that because of progress made by the private sector and financial regulators, and progress anticipated, it sees "no need for legislation regarding derivatives at this time".

Tigon treasury venture

THREE City foreign exchange dealers who have worked for London brokerage houses and international banks have set up their own company, Tigon Treasury Management, to capitalise on growing demand for independent treasury management. They are Richard Hill, former head of global foreign exchange proprietary trading at BZW; Martin Krattiger, former chief dealer for Swiss Bank Corporation in Geneva and New York, and for Barclays Bank in Paris; and Simon Hogg, former senior foreign exchange dealer at BZW. They will start trading on October 3, with an initial "book" of between $40 million and $50 million.

Russia fund raises $55m

THE Fleming Russia Securities Fund, which sought to raise $50 million and which will initially invest in oil and gas, telecommunications and mineral extraction sectors, has attracted a gross $55 million, the fund will announce today. Half of the subscribed funds came from American investors, and the balance from Britain, Ireland and the Continent. Iain Saunders, chairman of the fund, said the raising of $55 million during the traditionally quiet months of August and September can be regarded as very satisfactory. In time, the Fund expects to widen its range of investments in privatised Russian securities to include service and retail entities.



Becks, pies and videotapes: Whitbread continues its trial of one-stop drink, food and home entertainment stores

Whitbread tries second Home Run

By Martin Waller
Deputy City Editor

WHITBREAD, one of Britain's biggest brewers, is developing the ultimate one-stop shop for the growing army of couch potatoes. For those whose entertainment horizons extend no further than a six-pack, a pizza and Arnold Schwarzenegger, Whitbread is kindly streamlining the experience.

The company next week previews its second Home Run store, which will open officially in Bournemouth next month. Home Run is an extension of Whitbread's Threshers off-licence chain, combined with its Pizza Hut restaurant chain which operates an extensive take-home service.

The stores provide drinks, both soft and alcoholic, confectionery, and a take-away pizza and video rental service.

The training to run the video operation is provided by Blockbuster, the American-owned business that has taken a commanding chunk of Britain's high street video rental market in recent years.

The first Home Run has operated in Luton since earlier this month. The concept will be tried out until February next year and, if it proves a success, will be extended elsewhere.

Kemira's Finnish float set to reap £800m value

By Colin Narbrough, World Trade Correspondent

KEMIRA, the Finnish chemicals group that leads the British fertiliser market, will today unveil details of a privatisation issue expected to value the company at almost £800 million.

The company, whose attempt to take over the fertiliser business of ICI in 1991 was turned down by Peter Lilley, then Trade Secretary, on competition grounds, is timing its flotation to take advantage of revised interest in the European chemicals sector, where volume demand and some prices have started to recover.

The privatisation offering, through Merrill Lynch, the US investment bank, will involve a main listing in Helsinki, with one soon after on SEAQ in London. Kemira is one of a number of state corporations that Finland, about to hold a referendum on joining the European Union, plans to privatise.

Heimo Karinen, Kemira's chairman and chief executive, told *The Times* that the nature of his company had been misunderstood in Britain when its offer for ICI fertilisers was turned down.

He said state ownership had arisen from a shortage of capital when Finland broke away from Russia in 1917. Mr Karinen said: "State ownership was not a limiting factor and we act like a private company." He pointed out that Kemira proposed privatisation ten years ago.

The company has been authorised to make an international share offering by next April, in which the state will not participate. This will dilute state ownership to 68 per cent and raise up to 2 billion Finnmarks (£256 million), which will be used to improve the company's capital ratio.

Parliamentary approval will be needed to reduce the state holding further, but Mr Karinen said the general view in Finland today is that there is no longer any reason for state-owned companies, and he sees full privatisation of Kemira within five years.

The company, which last year returned to a pre-tax profit of 30 million Finnmarks (£3.9 million) after two years of heavy losses, is forecast to post a sharp improvement this year. Operating income last year rose nearly 250 million Finnmarks to 1.72 billion Finnmarks, or 14.5 per cent of net sales.

Mr Karinen, who has been restructuring Kemira since he became chairman in 1991, explained that the company's strong emphasis on fertilisers, a business other companies have chosen to leave, was partly based on its good cash flow, but also on Finland having the only feed phosphate mine in western Europe.

Kemira is also a world leader in compound fertilisers. Close to 40 per cent of total sales comes from fertilisers, making Kemira the second biggest producer in Europe after Norsk Hydro, of Norway.


Karinen: SEAQ debut

Spain to send Skase home

From Edward Owen in Madrid

THE Spanish national court has granted an extradition request for Australia's biggest ever bankrupt, Christopher Skase, 45, a former leisure industry entrepreneur accused on 32 counts of misappropriating A$150 million between 1987 and 1990.

Mr Skase's Spanish lawyer is expected to lodge an appeal against the Spanish decision, which includes the condition that he should be sent home by sea, with a medical team and operating theatre.

Mr Skase suffers from emphysema and had fought Australia's extradition request on the basis that specialists, whom he had flown to see in Switzerland, said that he could not travel by air. But a team of doctors, working for both the Spanish and Australian authorities, diagnosed Mr Skase as fit enough to travel when Madrid's national court went to see him in Palma, Majorca, in the summer. He had been held in a hospital in Majorca since his arrest on February 1.

Luis Rodriguez Ramos, a lawyer representing Mr Skase, said that the national court had rejected six charges of fraudulent bankrupting of various companies, but it had accepted Australian charges of 32 counts of what he described as maladministration of company funds.

Señor Ramos claimed that the Spanish penal code did not recognise such as an offence. He said that Spain's extradition law establishes a condition of *sine qua non*, in that the crime has to be the same in both the country seeking extradition and the country conceding.

Mr Skase has lived in Majorca since 1990. The Madrid court ruled that he had operated a company called Qintex, mainly involved in hotels and tourist development in Queensland, and had milked A$150 million from private investors and banks. An additional A$35 million was transferred to private and family accounts.

Mr Skase bought a multi million pound property in Andraitx, in south west Majorca. Before his arrest, he was involved in a project to develop a golf course, with villas, at a nearby cove and was also discussing a similar scheme in California. The Majorca scheme foundered during the recession.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 44

OIRAN

(b) A Japanese courtesan of high standing, also collectively, transliteration of the Japanese word. *Mainichi Daily News*, advertisement, 1972: "Oiran — the glittering Yoshiwara courtesans — recreate the ceremonies attendant on greeting an honored [sic] patron."

PELONG

(a) A kind of material used for gowns worn in southern India, derivation uncertain, perhaps an adaptation of the Malay *pelang* striped: "Panope sees Asia, Parthenope, Eunomia, Euphrosyne, Urania, Ausonia/ In feathered head-dresses as bright as sleep/ In pelongs, chelloes, and great palampores."

PIQUER

(a) To insert bacon strips or other flavouring substance in (meat, etc.) before cooking, also figuratively, from the French *piquer* to lard: "Start with a moral and political poet, piquer or lard him with immorality, potorial songs and other irrelevancies. . . "

REIFICATION

(b) Depersonalisation, treating persons as objects, especially such as Marx thought was due to capitalist industrialisation in which the worker is considered as the quantifiable labour factor in production or as a commodity, from the Latin *res* a thing + *facere* to make: "The active assault upon culture is based on the same reification as the fetishism of those students who believe that by occupying university classrooms they are taking possession of science as a productive force."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1 ... Qxh1 mate was Ivanchuk's extraordinary oversight.

CHANGE ON WEEK

THE POUND

US dollar
1.5835 (+0.0318)
German mark
2.4343 (+0.0447)
Exchange index
79.8 (+1.2)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 share
2388.1 (-38.5)
FT-SE 100
3065.1 (-74.2)
New York Dow Jones
3933.35 (+58.54)
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
19796.26 (-101.62)

Women seize the initiative but fail to score

REVIEW



Lynne Truss

When Alan Partridge was a chat-show host on Radio 4 — before he became a major television celebrity on BBC 2 (see below) — he once interviewed Lord Something-or-Other of Glossop, an old, splenetic champion of pornography so contemptuous of interviewers he had famously reduced to tears David Frost. "People say that pornography *degrades* women," said Partridge. "Ah yes," agreed his curmudgeonly lordship warmly, "But I say this. Is it not the case that *sex* degrades women? If it's any good, that is."

Until about half-way through last night's Screen One, **Two Golden Balls** (BBC 1), appeared to be steaming towards an equally compelling, but rather more acceptable, conclusion about both sex and pornography, featuring seismic unleashings of female libido, "opening the floodgates and interpenetrating the desert of male desire". Since it's not often that you hear smut of that particular complexion, one's ears naturally pricked up. But despite rigorous foreplay, Maureen Chadwick's cobbled-up script (originally conceived as a series) simply ran out of ideas, yawned, disengaged and visibly detumesced.

Prim, colourless "Off the Shelf" campaigner Linda Leveller (Claire Skinner) finds herself sharing a prison cell with American porn star Sydnie Vampari (Kim Cattrall), a raven-haired, two-dimensional, leather-skirted dominatrix who possibly (like Jessica Rabbit) isn't truly bad, she's just outfitted that way. In any case, Sydnie takes charge immediately. "We're gonna get down to some serious dialogue here," she growls.

But then what? They decide to make erotic videos for women, and the ironic comic-book simplicity of the set-up lapses into genuine fairy-tale. "And it was all harmless nonsense after all." Sydnie gets a non-serious revenge on her former porn boss; Linda makes non-serious demands on her new-man husband, and then there are non-serious orgies on film, and then (such larks!) everybody jumps into shiny vintage motors and drives off! Is this really about *pornography*? About *desire*? Come back *Blackeyes*, all is forgiven.

I guessed Charlie would refuse the management job, didn't you? Holby City's momentous transition on Saturday night from video to film represents quite enough change for the time being. It is nice to see, though. Instead of being soaped twice-weekly (as was once threatened) **Casualty** (BBC 1) has been glossied up a bit, made more of an event. Which is a triumph for common sense.

As usual, a new series brings a substantially new cast of senior house officers and staff nurses, but naturally nobody draws attention to it, nobody says "Gosh, I've not seen you before have I?". Life goes on in the here and now, that's what it's like in A & E. The action is tough, it's immediate, and it's frighteningly quickly forgotten, which is why it makes perfect television drama. On Saturday, when burly Mike argued with a new doctor about the ethics of organ dealing, he simply forgot he was in the same room as a boy's dead body. *Things had moved on.* In fact it was only when the boy's brother re-entered and started emoting quite loudly that anybody remembered that story-line at all.

Meanwhile Friday's **Master of the Moor** (ITV) ended on a high dramatic note, in a lashing storm, with Stephen (Colin Firth, looking worried and amnesiac) remembering that, after all, he did kill his wife. Damn: he knew he'd forgotten something. The murder was quite understandable, however: she had deliberately opened the floodgate of her libido into the desert of his male desire, when he'd made it perfectly clear that he wasn't having any.

Later he shot himself, which made it all the more poignant that he had clearly never heard Joe Orton's advice to Kenneth Williams (which was mentioned in ITV's workmanlike **South Bank Show** on Williams last night) — "When you're dead you'll regret *not having fun with your genital organs*".

And on that bombshell, it is time to grasp the nettle by the bullet and say a wary "Ah-ha!" to the confounding and brilliant **Knowing Me, Knowing You** (BBC 2), in which cringe-making chat-show host Alan Partridge (Steve Coogan) abuses his guests, contrives tortuous introductions, pulls dreadful stunts, and continually reveals himself in his jumped-up sports-presenter true colours. "Tonight is what I call a JFK kind of night," he announced on Friday, "because just as everybody can remember what they were doing when President Kennedy was *shot in the head* ..."

The obvious difficulty of transferring the show from radio is Steve Coogan's youthful appearance — Partridge is supposedly in his late thirties, with his Coleman-*esque voice setting him even older*. Yet somehow it just makes Partridge more appalling, that his face is younger than his haircut, blazer and tie. "As tonight's motorcade of chat cruises through celebrity city, let's hope there isn't a lone sniper waiting to pick off my star guest!" *The appeal is that he has no appeal* whatsoever: you watch with horrified fascination as he sabotages himself, scuppers his own ambitions, bullies and shows off.

Friday's show (repeated Saturday) faltered over the will-Roger-Moore-turn-up gag (too obvious), but achieved transcendent ghastliness when Partridge treated a guest to a glimpse of his own child. "Because of access and custody laws you only see him once a fortnight, so you're not allowed to have contact with him tonight!" Attention must definitely be paid to such a man.

BBC1

6.00am Business Breakfast (71884)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (31288987)

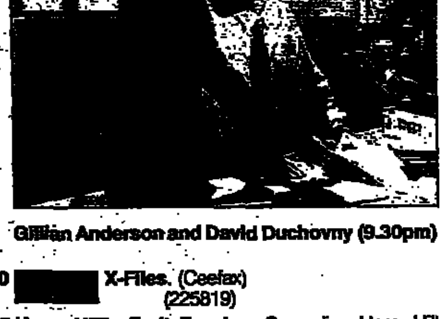


Robert Kilroy-Silk talks to teenagers (9.05am)

9.05 NEW **Kids On Kilroy.** Young people tell Robert Kilroy-Silk what it is like to be obsessed with food and forced to diet (1123819)
9.30 NEW **A Word In Your Ear.** Gordon Burns hosts the verbal communications game. (Ceefax) (s) (50635)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (8948971)
10.05 Liberal Democrats Live. Today the party *announces its tax policy. Reporting from Brighton* are Huw Edwards, Sheena McDonald and Jon Sopel with Liberal Democrat specialist Alan Leaman. Includes, at **11.00** and **12.00, News,** regional news and weather (93636800) **12.55pm Regional News** and weather (16238180)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (86109)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (53816161) **1.50 Turnabout.** Word-testing quiz game presented by Rob Curling (s) (89455109)
2.20 Knots Landing. Drama spin-off from the *Dallas* saga (s) (9025364) **3.05 Burke's Backyard.** Australian horticulturist Don Burke visits Healesville *Wildlife Sanctuary in Melbourne and also takes a* look at actor Shane Porteus's garden (2397971)
3.35 Cartoon (3223567) **3.45 Monster Cafe.** The second of a 15-part comedy series (s) (3203708) **4.00 The Chipmunks** (r) (4809161) **4.10 The All New Popeye Show.** Cartoon double bill (r) (2256155) **4.30 Mighty Max** (s) (3327249)
4.55 Newsround (9709451) **5.05 Blue Peter.** Diane-Louise Jordan previews the new Disney film *The Lion King* and visits the Disney studios in Hollywood. (Ceefax) (s) (4508971)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (717600)
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (529)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (109)
7.00 Telly Addicts. Television trivia quiz introduced by Noel Edmonds (5567)
7.30 Watchdog. Consumer magazine presented by Anne Robinson. (Ceefax) (s) (203)
8.00 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (1987)
8.30 2point4 Children. Domestic comedy series starring Belinda Lang and Gary Olsen. (Ceefax) (s) (3722)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (6600)
9.30 CHOICE **The Healer** (s) (1640722)
10.45 Film 94 with Barry Norman. Among the films reviewed are *City Slickers 2, Gettysburg* and *Ladybird Ladybird.* (Ceefax) (s) (153797)
11.15 FILM: The Boy Who Had Everything (1984) *starring* Jason Connery, Diane Cilento and Laura Williams. Drama, set in mid-Sixties Sydney, about a young man's experiences during his first year at university. Directed by Stephen Wallace (605635)
12.45am Weather (7223117). Ends at **12.50**
3.00-3.30 BBC Select: RCN Nursing Update (40594)

BBC2

6.20am Open University
8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax and signing) (7137667)
8.15 Pinocchio (7485567) **8.35 Babar** (3622635)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes. Plus, for children, **10.00 Playdays** (5112180) **1.45 Words and Pictures** (41202703)
2.00 Just So Stories. Animated version of *How the Whale Got his Throat* (r) (78592141) **2.10 Songs of Praise** from Liverpool (r). (Ceefax) (s) (6401529)
2.45 Milestones in Science and Engineering. The cinematograph of the Lumiere brothers (5723567)
3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather followed by **A Week to Remember** (b/w) (r) (1737180) **3.15 Caught on Camera** (8282068) **3.40 Brilliant Gardens.** A visit to Ness on the Wirral peninsula (8273635) **3.50 News** (Ceefax) and weather (8279819)
4.00 FILM: Road to Zanzibar (1941, b/w) starring Bob Hope, Bing Crosby and Dorothy Lamour. The second of the *Road* series of comedies. Directed by Victor Schertzinger (55890)
5.30 Italy Means Business. The industry of Arezzo in *Tuscany (s) (258)*
6.00 Murphy Brown. American drama series starring Candice Bergen. (Ceefax) (s) (131987)
6.25 The Fresh Prince of Bel Air. American teen comedy (s) (223432)
6.50 Lucinda Lambton's Alphabet of Britain. *L is for Loved Ones* (r). (Ceefax) (s) (217398)
7.00 The World at War: France Falls. Laurence Olivier *narrates the documentary series on the Second* World War. (Ceefax) (2703)
8.00 White Heat. Series tracing the history of technology. (Ceefax) (497277)
8.50 The Last Lighthouse Keepers. Two Northern Ireland lighthouse keepers give a tour of their buildings (r) (s) (615884)
9.00 NEW **Rab C. Nesbitt.** More words of wisdom from the Scots street philosopher. (Ceefax) (4242)



Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny (9.30pm)

9.30 NEW **X-Files.** (Ceefax) (225819)
10.15 Harry Hill's Fruit Fancies. Comedian Harry Hill with the story of a man who lusts after bananas. (Ceefax) (s) (255432)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (789987)
11.15 The Late Show: Face to Face. Jeremy Isaacs interviews the film-maker Ken Loach (s) (204906) **11.55 Weather** (921426)
12.00-12.30am Art and the Left. Why some American artists reconsidered their role in society (86759)

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CHOICE



Paul Rhys and Geraldine James (BBC 1, 9.30pm)

The Healer
BBC1, 9.30pm

G.F. Newman is obviously sympathetic to his hero. Paul Rhys plays the likeable Irish doctor, John Lassiter, who has not had steady work for three years. The senior staff of Sparrow Hill Teaching Hospital - *when they finally take him on - want to know why. In* tonight's first chapter (the story concludes tomorrow), they find out. Patients actually love "Dr John" — especially those at death's door, who trust him with their life, and, thanks to his apparently miraculous powers, live to enjoy it. Playwright Newman — who brilliantly undermined the NHS in *The Nation's Health* — is fascinated by the possibilities of alternative medicine, but he makes no saint of his healer. Hubris, when his "miracles" attract attention beyond the hospital, could be Lassiter's undoing. Geraldine James and Nicky Henson lend support to this riveting tale.

The Bureau: Fighting the Family
Channel 4, 9.00pm

It's the turn of the Mafia to enter the ring in this documentary series. FBI boss J. Edgar Hoover was *suspiciously loath to tackle organised crime in his day,* but in *Fighting the Family* we see how the Bureau got to grips with New York's "five families" who ran (run?) the LCN (La Cosa Nostra). What emerges is an almost endearing picture of ham-fisted incompetence and impressive courage. Agent Joe Pistone, who infiltrated the mob between 1969 and 1986, and speaks in a shadowed profile which does little to disguise him, recalls how, having worked his way almost to the top as a "made man", he was ordered to "prove himself" with a murder. He refused — and went to ground with, presumably, a contract still out on him.

World in Action: Give Us a Break
ITV, 8.30pm

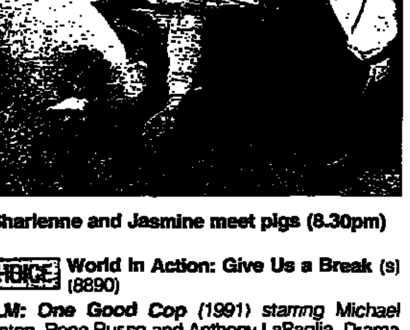
Recent surveys indicate a growing number of very poor children in Britain. According to this programme, one in three live in a family with an income well below the national average. "Their degree of deprivation is as bad as that suffered by children at the turn of the century," says "poverty expert" Dr Johnathan Bradshaw of York University. *Give Us A Break* interviews an eight-year-old from North Wales ("Mum gets £68 income support"), a nine-year-old from Merseyside ("People on the block skit for us") and their parents. Then there is a round-up of four of the children, who are filmed enjoying their first-ever holiday, in rural Scotland.

The X-Files
BBC2, 9.30pm

As "cult viewing" goes, it is hard to fault this. Not in the *Twin Peaks* class, perhaps, but there is considerable power generated by this American science-fiction series. When the FBI (who else?) is called upon to investigate a series of apparently alien-related murders, they almost lose their best agent, Fox *Mulder (David Duchovny), who becomes sucked into* his research. So of course he must be investigated himself - by a glamorous female agent. Will she too start to believe in murder-minded UFOs? "The following story is inspired by actual documented accounts," reads the caption. **Elizabeth Cowley**

CARLTON

6.00am GMTV (55664)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep Shopping quiz hosted by Dale Winton (1112703) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (5106529)
10.00 The Time ... the Place ... Topical discussion series chaired by John Stapleton (9360068)
10.35 This Morning Family magazine (97403600) **12.20pm London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1260548)
12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (Teletext) and weather (9318180)
12.55 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext) (9220971) **1.25 Home and Away** Australian family drama series (Teletext) (68342529)
1.55 Capital Woman introduced by Anneka Rice (s) (83449548) **2.25 A Country Practice** Medical drama set in the Australian outback (s) (20303819) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (2213635)
3.20 ITN News headlines (Teletext) (9485890) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9484161)
3.30 Rainbow (r) (3219364) **3.40 Tots TV** (s) (8260161) **3.50 Taz-Mania** (r) (s) (8266345) **4.00 Sooty and Co** (s) (1727249) **4.25 Transylvania Pet Shop** (s) (2333256) **4.50 How 2.** Fun and facts series (5325074)
5.10 After 5 presented by Mary Nightingale (4605838)
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (423364)
5.55 Your Shout. Viewers' soapbox (865432)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (797)
6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) (277)
7.00 The Russ Abbot Show. Comic sketches (6285)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (161)
8.00 Wheel of Fortune. Game show (3155)



Sharlenne and Jasmine meet pigs (8.30pm)

8.30 CHOICE **World in Action: Give Us a Break** (s) (8890)
9.00 FILM: One Good Cop (1991) *starring* Michael Keaton, Rene Russo and Anthony LaPaglia. Drama about a New York policeman who "inherits" three children when his partner is killed in the line of duty. Directed by Heywood Gould (2513). Continues after the news
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (34155) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (284567)
10.40 FILM: One Good Cop continued (179451)
11.40 The Equalizer starring Edward Woodward (r) (388432)
12.40am The Little Picture Show. Film and video reviews (9026001)
1.40 Endsleigh League Football Extra (3260914)
2.25 Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94. Highlights from Nazareth, Pennsylvania (8578488)
3.20 Sport AM presented by Bob Symes (5643169)
4.15 World Cup Hall of Fame. *A profile of the* Portuguese star Eusebio (81931681)
4.30 Videofashion (36391)
5.00 Hollywood Report Showbusiness gossip (91730)
5.30 ITN Morning News (74914). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.30am Chicken Minute Cartoon series (r) (44635)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (69432)
9.00 You Bet Your Life General knowledge quiz game for couples, hosted by Bill Cosby (r) (17432)
9.30 Schools Geography Start Here **9.46** Talk, Write and Read **10.02** Stage Two Science **10.20** The Maths Programme **10.40** Autumn Preview Programme **11.05** Encyclopaedia Galactica **11.15** Picture This! **11.30** Rat-a-Tat-Tat **11.45** Junior Technology (592635)
12.00 Right to Reply. A repeat of Saturday's first of a new series. (Teletext) (s) (31068)
12.30pm Sesame Street. Entertaining early-learning series. The guest is James Galway (r) (93567)



The farm animals come out to play (1.30pm)

1.30 NEW **Hullabaloo.** A mix of games, puppets, cartoons and songs, introduced by Floella Benjamin. Followed by **Fourways Farm.** An animated soap opera first seen on Channel 4 Schools' programmes (46432)
2.00 FILM: Cluny Brown (1946, b/w) starring Jennifer *Jones and Charles Boyer. Romantic comedy about* a plumber's niece whose romance with a Czech refugee in a 1938 English country house causes consternation above and below stairs. Directed by Ernst Lubitsch (482616)
3.50 In Our Image. A short about producing mannequins (8371123)
3.55 Garden Club. A repeat of Friday's visit to Alnwick. (Teletext) (3943819)
4.30 Countdown. Win up to £1,000 in conjunction with *The Times.* (Teletext) (s) (154)
5.00 The Late Late Show. Dublin's topical chat and music show hosted by Gay Byrne (s) (7548)
6.00 Babylon 5. Award-winning American science-fiction drama series. (Teletext) (s) (853513)
6.50 Mighty Mouse Cartoon (912726)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and news (324451)
7.50 Belfast Lessons (597109)
8.00 Quarrels. Hameed Haroon brings together warring gangs of Sikh youths from Southall and young Muslims from Slough. (Teletext) (s) (1797)
8.30 Desmond's Comedy set in a Peckham, South London, barber's (r). (Teletext) (s) (6432)
9.00 CHOICE **The Bureau: Fighting the Family** (Teletext) (s) (7105)
10.00 I'll Fly Away The third episode of the drama series set in the American Deep South. *(Teletext) (s)* (838605)
10.55 The American Football Big Match. Gary Imlach introduces action from week three of the NFL season (48485513)
12.15am Transworld Sport (r) (984759)
1.15 Halfway To Paradise. Scottish arts and entertainments series. This week's guests are Danny Wilson, Jean Carne and Van Morrison (r) (s) (973643)
2.15 FILM: Boy Meets Girl (1938, b/w) starring James Cagney and Pat O'Brien. Madcap comedy about life in a Hollywood film studio. Directed by Lloyd Bacon (571469). Ends at **3.45**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Anglia News (5106529) **12.20pm-12.30** Anglia News (1260548) **1.55** A Country Practice (53811616) **2.20** Yan Can Cook (20215600) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (2213635) **3.25-3.30** Anglia News (9484161) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (4605838) **6.25-7.00** Anglia Weather followed by Anglia News (478971) **10.30-10.40** Anglia News and Weather (284567) **11.40** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (577529) **12.45am** Coach (8528198) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (4163952) **1.50** Sport AM (2623407) **2.45** Hot Wheels (2948682) **3.10** The Beat (2932952) **4.10** Jobfinder (5992778) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (91730)

CENTRAL
As London except: 9.55-10.00 Central News (5106529) **12.20pm-12.30** Central News and Weather (1260548) **1.55** A Country Practice (53811616) **2.20** Yan Can Cook (20215600) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (2213635) **3.25-3.30** Central News (9484161) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (4605838) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (478971) **10.30-10.40** Central News and Weather (284567) **11.40** World Championship Boxing (658345) **12.35am-12.40** Night Shift (7212001) **4.15** Jobfinder (5362117) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (2976339)

HTV WEST
As London except: 9.55-10.00 ITN News Headlines (5106529) **12.20pm-12.30** HTV West News (1260548) **1.55-3.20** The Time of His Life (9558277) **3.25-3.30** HTV West Headlines (9484161) **5.10-5.40** What's My Line? (4605838) **5.55** Home and Away (713884) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (478971) **10.30-10.40** HTV West Headlines and Weather (284567) **11.40** First Cut (781800) **12.10am** Love and War (8089117) **12.35** Coach (2438551) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (4163952) **1.50** Sport AM (2623407) **2.45** Hot Wheels (2948682) **3.10** The Beat (2932952) **4.10** Jobfinder (5992778) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (91730)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 12.20pm-12.30 *HTV News (1260548)* **3.25-3.30** HTV News (9484161) **5.10-5.40** The Gen (4605838) **6.25-7.00** Wales Tonight (478971) **10.30-10.40** HTV News (284567) **11.40-12.10pm** Leaves Celtic Challenge (781800)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (53811616) **2.20** Up Front (20215600) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (2213635) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4605838) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (797) **6.30-7.00** Spirit of the South Behind the Scenes with Penelope Keith (277) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News and Weather (284567) **11.40-12.40pm** Murder, She Wrote (388432) **5.00am-5.30** Freescreen (91730)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (53811616) **2.20-2.50** Travel Trails (20215600) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4605838) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (581364) **6.30-7.00** Crimestopper Special (277) **10.30-10.40** Tyne Tees News (284567) **11.40** Prisoner Cell Block H (658345) **12.35am** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (9833223) **1.10** The Executioner of Venice (1395402) **2.40** The New Music (5869681) **3.40** ITV Chart Show (9023020) **4.35-5.30** Jobfinder (1605049)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.55 Gardening Time (89449548) **2.25-2.55** The Young Doctors (20214971) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4605838) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (84538) **10.30-10.40** Westcountry News; Weather (284567) **11.40** Phoenix (388432) **12.40am** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (2217759) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (4163952) **1.50** Sport AM (2623407) **2.45** Hot Wheels (2948682) **3.10** The Beat (2932952) **4.10** Jobfinder (5992778) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (91730)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (53811616) **2.20-2.50** Travel Trails (20215600) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4605838) **5.55** Calendar (581364) **6.30-7.00** Local Heroes (277) **11.40** Prisoner Cell Block H (658345) **12.35am** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (9833223) **1.10** The Executioner of Venice (1395402) **2.40** The New Music (5869681) **3.40** *ITV Chart Show* (9023020) **4.35-5.30** Jobfinder (1605049)

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Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (69432) **9.00** You Bet Your Life (17432) **9.30** Ysgolion/schools (592635) **12.00pm** Right To Reply (31068) **12.30** Slot Meithrin Ty Chwith (47161) **1.00** Doug (76819) **1.30** Blossom (48432) **2.00** A Guide For The Married Man (753616) **3.40** Of Dice And Men (3124342) **3.55** The Lost Waterway (7836093) **4.25** Beamen (1847513) **5.00** 5 Pump - Cracsbant (5163548) **5.15** 5 Pump - Syth 94 (1265797) **5.30** Countdown (426) **6.00** Newyddion (142513) **6.20** Hero (584722) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (8277) **7.30** Sgorio (25180) **8.30** Newyddion/news (6432) **9.00** Taro Naw (2938) **9.30** Frasier (81797) **10.00** I'll Fly Away (838605) **10.55** The American Football Big Match (5313703) **12.15am** It's Just a Ride (1839643)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am DJ Kat Show (50768190) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (1145109) **9.10** Cartoons (5045258) **9.30** Card Sharks (2630567) **9.55** Concentration (2615258) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (8942890) **10.30** Love at First Sight (75426) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (15631) **12.00** Urban Peasant (82906) **12.30pm** E Street (32141) **1.00** Falcon Crest (82648) **2.00** Hart to Hart (96426) **3.00** Another World (8996971) **3.45** DJ Kat Show (8960616) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (2258) **6.00** Gamesworld (8161) **6.30** Blockbusters (6513) **7.00** E Street (3987) **7.30** M*A*S*H (2787) **8.00** Melrose Place (49513) **9.00** The She-Wolf of London (32277) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (35364) **11.00** Late Show (565529) **11.45** Battlestar Galactica (393513) **12.45am** Barney Miller (60391) **1.15-1.45** Night Court (67204)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (2468636) **9.30** Worldwide Report (6567797) **10.10** 60 Minutes (4881567) **1.30pm** CBS News (96797) **2.30** WTN Roving Report (23548) **3.30** Book Show (7819) (2600) **6.00** Littlejohn (41155) **9.10** CBS 60 Minutes (402890) **11.30** CBS Evening News (61616) **12.30am** ABC News (4893933) **1.10** Richard Littlejohn (3796778) **2.30** WTN Report (91285) **3.30** Book Show (98730) **4.30** CBS News (99778) **5.30-6.00** ABC News (21846)

SKY MOVIES
5.00am Showcase (9628451)
10.00 Inside Out (1975). Action adventure (83987)
12.00 The Blue Bird (1976): With Elizabeth Taylor and Ava Gardner (75529)
2.00pm Aloha Summer (1988): Six teenagers in 1959 Hawaii (26616)
4.00 Going Under (1990): A submarine is placed in the hands of an inept crew (3190)
6.00 Archer (1985): Tale of the Melbourne Cup horse race (39180)
8.00 V.I. Warshawski (1991): Kathleen Turner plays Sara Paretsky's (45797)
10.00 Honour Thy Father and Mother: The Menendez Killings (1994): The story of *the infamous brothers* (329345)
11.40 Rush (1991): Psychological thriller with Jason Patric and Jennifer Jason Leigh (944838)
1.40am Eleven Days, Eleven Nights (1987): Erotica (2571662)
3.10 Howling IV — The Original Nightmare (1988): A writer goes to the country to rest, but is plagued by nightmares and werewolves (5836891)
4.40-6.00 Going Under: As 4pm (6513407)

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm Bus Stop (1956): Classic comedy drama with Marilyn Monroe (15548)
8.00 Gregory's Girl (1982). Bill Forsyth's classic Scottish comedy (10093)
10.00 Sugarland Express (1974): Steven Spielberg's road movie. (98068) Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am Turned Out Nice Again (1941) George Formby vehicle (44971)
8.00 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds (1981): Children's cartoon (83548)
10.00 Strictly Ballroom (1992) Comedy (81529)
12.00 Just Ask for Diamond (1988): A mystery about a box of Maltesers (93971)
2.00pm Cat City (1987): Futuristic animated adventure (24258)
4.00 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds: As 8am (84893600)
5.45 After the Glory (1992): Second World War veterans return home (89748616)
7.30 UK Top Ten (1635)
8.00 Strictly Ballroom: As 10am (49567)
10.00 The Prince of Tides (1991): Barbra Streisand directs and stars (91546971)
12.10am Chrome Soldiers (1992). Vietnam veterans Gary Busey and Ray Sharkey track *down a murderer* (531196)
1.45 Happy Hooker. Late-night erotic drama (375020)
3.20 The Pursuit of D.B. Cooper (1981): True story of the hijacker who bailed out of a plane with $200,000 (69532852). Ends at **5.00**

SKY SPORTS
7.00am Watersports World (54857) **8.00** World Sports Special (52616) **8.30** American Sports Cavalcade (11797) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (94180) **10.00** The Big League (81616) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (55703) **12.30pm** Super Sunday (19513) **2.30** One to One (8180) **3.00** London to Brighton Bike Ride (6548) **3.30** NBA Basketball (4797) **4.00** World of Speed (9432) **4.30** Windsurfing (5616) **5.00** WWF Mania (7600) **6.00** Soccer (944548) **6.15** Sports Classics (932703) **6.30** Fishing (4631) **7.00** Football, live: Ipswich v Norwich (7228726) **11.00** Soccer News (699635) **11.15** Fishing (338426) **11.45** Sports Classics (672093) **12.00-2.00am** Football: Ipswich v Norwich (71914)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (46529) **8.00** Golf (30426) **10.00** Rowing (62513) **11.00** Indycar (55277) **12.00** Touring Car (29141) **1.00pm** Tennis (78277) **2.30** Volleyball (72884) **3.30** Rally Raid (49345) **4.30** Football (79513) **6.30** News (2529) **7.00** Speedworld (47258) **9.00** Boxing (61703) **10.00** Football (71364) **11.30** Eurogolf (29600) **12.30-1.00am** Eurosport News (48049)



Paul Mercurio and Gia Carides (Movie Channel, 10am and 8pm)

UK GOLD
7.00am Sullivans (6546155) **7.30** Neighbours (6621890) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (3664548) **8.30** EastEnders (3863819) **9.00** Bill (3774971) **9.30** One by One (7654722) **10.30** Duchess of Duke Street (96159451) **11.35** Sullivans (90220906) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (3887635) **12.30pm** Neighbours (7788074) **1.00** EastEnders (6545426) **1.30** The Bill (7787345) **2.00** George and Mildred *(3314258)* **2.30** *Man about the House* (6813838) **3.00** Knots Landing (2787155) **4.00** Dynasty (2862890) **5.00** Every Second Counts (6620703) **5.40** Captain Pugwash (6391819) **5.50** Sykes (1141600) **6.30** EastEnders (6605819) **7.00** Two Ronnies (3053068) **8.00** Life without George (3327722) **8.30** Man about the House (3313529) **9.00** Tenko (3148180) **10.00** The Bill (3868364) **10.30** Top of the Pops (2755703) **11.20** Call Me Mister (9559242) **12.20am** Dr Who (2393469) **12.50** Gangsters (7993440) **1.50** Shopping (46730778)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am Rakan III (4344797) **6.15** Teddy Ruxpin (228659) **6.45** Casper (995600) **7.15** Eek (992513) **7.45** Saved by the Bell (991884) **8.15** Head to Head (7267161) **8.25** Super Mario Brothers (7689345) **8.50** Titou (1023549) **9.00** It's Droibee Time (53190) **10.00** Teddy Trucks (48074) **11.00** Kitty Cats (91426) **11.30** Barney (92155) **12.00** Rakan III (15155) **12.30pm** Eek (38546) **1.00** Saved by the Bell (66426) **1.30** Head to Head (58812884) **1.40** Super Mario Brothers (38794136) **2.00** Babar (1567) **2.30** Madeline (3590) **3.00** Tic Tac Toons (5918426) **3.15** Around the World (605180) **3.45** Bol's Master (604451) **4.15** Head to Head in 3D (8799180) **4.30-5.00** Halfway across the Galaxy and Turn Left (7426)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Grimmy (67068) **7.30** Rocko (6745659) **7.45** Rugrats (359684) **8.15** Ren and Stimpy (1084987) **8.30** Simer (59529) **9.00** Nick Jr (540567) **12.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (53345) **12.30pm** Muppets (20338) **1.00** Doug (62567) **1.30** Alvin (70839) **2.00** Denver (2155) **2.30** Smoggies (6722) **3.00** Simer (7890) **3.30** Carmen Sandiego (8567) **4.00** Grimmy (7074) **4.30** Rugrats (3258) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (9635) **5.30** Doug (7838) **6.00** Are You Afraid of the Dark? (7451) **6.30-7.00** Joe 90 (30607)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm Crawl Into My Parlour (6695432) **4.30** The World of Volcanoes (6691616) **5.00** A Fork in the Road (3329180) **5.30** Terra X (6519068) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (7794635) **7.00** Paramedics (3316616) **7.30** Stone Monkey (6692345) **8.00** Spirits of the Rainforest (3137074) **10.00** Search for Adventure (3156109) **11.00** Secret Weapons (2861161) **11.30-12.00** Spirit of Survival (8144600)

BRAVO
12.00 FILM: The Uncle (1964): A seven-year-old boy discovers a nephew of the same age (8235906) **2.00pm** Avengers (8143971) **3.00** My Three Sons (3311161) **3.30** Beverly Hillbillies (6603451) **4.00** FILM: The Stars Look Down (1939): Drama about a coal-mining community's struggle against poor working conditions (3322277) **6.00** Get Smart (6609635) **6.30** Cannon (1985971) *7.30 Invisible Man (8518971)* **8.00** Avengers (3057884) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (2760242) **9.30** FILM: The Amazing Colossal Man (1957): A man grows to 60 feet and attacks Las Vegas (4336819) **11.00** Donny and Marie (2865987) **11.30-12.00** Rat Patrol (8148426)

UK LIVING
6.00am Best of Anne and Nick (9811093) **8.00** *Fighting Back* (3079838) **8.30** *Women Mean Business* (3078109) **9.00** Masterchef (3052161) **9.30** Now You See It (2719451) **10.00** Trivia Trap (7264345) **10.30** Definition (3058345) **11.00** Young and Restless (8151906) **12.00** Look (3976797) **12.30pm** Practical Living (51422600) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (5990180) **1.30** On the House (2729838) **2.00** Agony Hour (7265074) **3.00** Living Magazine (7782548) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (71217068) **4.00** Infatuation (9518161) **4.30** Definition (73556345) **4.55** Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery (2310426) **5.30** Kate and Allie (9432797) **6.00** Maternal World (9535838) **6.30** Musiquest (9518890) **7.00** Living Magazine (8019345) **8.00** Young and Restless (8028093) **9.00** FILM: The Rape of Dr Willis (1991): A surgeon is accused of murder after a patient who raped her dies on the operating table (29863600) **10.40** Gladrags and Glamour (5121364) **11.00** Infatuation (2986513) **11.30-12.00** Maternal World (7260529)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm Tintin (3819) **5.30** Jeux Sans Frontieres (75338) **6.30** Through the Keyhole (2971) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (9155) **7.30** Mighty Jungle (8155) **8.00** Road to Avonlea (12451) **9.00** Moonlighting (29677) **10.00** Catchphrase (16884) **10.30** GP (98432) **11.00** Lou Grant (49703) **12.00** Rhoda (29653) **12.30** Big Brother Jake (88681) **1.00** Family Catchphrase (24681) **1.30** Trivial Pursuit II (40117) **2.00** Moonlighting (83399) **3.00** Lou Grant (39846) **4.00** Rhoda (72865) **4.30-5.00** Mighty Jungle (12846)

MTV
5.00am Awake on the Wildside (829001) **8.00** VJ Ingo (446277) **11.00** Soul (64068) **12.00** Greatest Hits (46513) **1.00pm** VJ (10277) **2.30** All-Star Football Special (52161) **3.30** The Report (2154703) **3.45** At the Movies (2159258) **4.00** News (8785987) **4.15** Three from One (8708838) **4.30** Dial (9884) **5.00** Hit List (48726) **7.00** Greatest Hits (29631) **8.00** Reggaementary (21109) **9.00** Real World (86548) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (47242) **10.00** The Report (238890) **10.15** At the Movies (233345) **10.30** News (466567) **10.45** Three from One (546172) **11.00** The End? (69513) **1.00am** VJ (40778) **2.00-5.00** Videos (2088372)

TV ASIA
6.00am Persian Dawn (93068) **7.00** Asian Morning (56093) **9.00** Serial: Chand Gerhan (53136) **10.00** Pakistani Movie (173819) **1.00pm** Serial: Sona Chandi (59180) **1.30** Hindi Movie (381172) **4.30** Kiddie Time (1780) **5.00-6.00** TVA and You (1180) **7.00** BBCD (6971) **7.30** New Serial (4987) **8.00** English News (544797) **8.15** Hindi Movie (98371109) **11.15** Serial (604277) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (9409534) **1.35** Sight and Sound (89084285)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT
Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
7.00pm Black Beauty (1971) Mark Lester stars (56430884)
8.40 The Courtship of Eddie's Father (1963) A boy finds his father a new wife (43524258)
10.50 The Happy Years (1950) A robot is sent to school (44044093)
12.50am Lord Jeff (1938) A jewel thief tries to recover the gems (21940225)
2.25-5.00 Boy's Ranch (1946) A Millionaire sets up a ranch for deprived city children (87771730)

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Rate worries put pressure on markets

By Graham Searjeant
Financial Editor

■ American fears that further hefty rises in interest rates will be needed to curb inflation are likely to spill over into London markets, despite signs that the UK economy is healthier

TRADERS expect the dollar and international bond markets to come under further pressure this week as expectations grow of a sharper upturn in interest rates worldwide.

Both shares and bonds fell sharply on Wall Street on Friday after government figures showed that industrial production grew 0.7 per cent in August, implying a further rise in capacity utilistion to 84.7 per cent. American houses now predict further sharp rises in American short-term interest rates and a further, smaller, rise in returns on long-term bonds. Citibank expects the yield on the US 30-year Treasury bond to edge up further, to 8 per cent. US annual inflation, it is argued, now running at 2.9 per cent, will soon rise to 3.5 per cent, which is regarded as the acceptable limit by the US Federal Reserve Board.

Instability will be exacerbated by US military action against Haiti. Although heightened international tensions usually lead to a flight into dollars, American securities houses argue that President Clinton's stance on Haiti would damage the dollar by undermining the effectiveness of his administration.

The Federal Reserve's open market committee is not scheduled to meet until the end of the month, but further pressure on the dollar could make its deliberations a foregone conclusion. Several Wall Street analysts expect the federal funds rate, which was raised to 4.75 per cent last month, to reach 6 per cent by the end of the year.

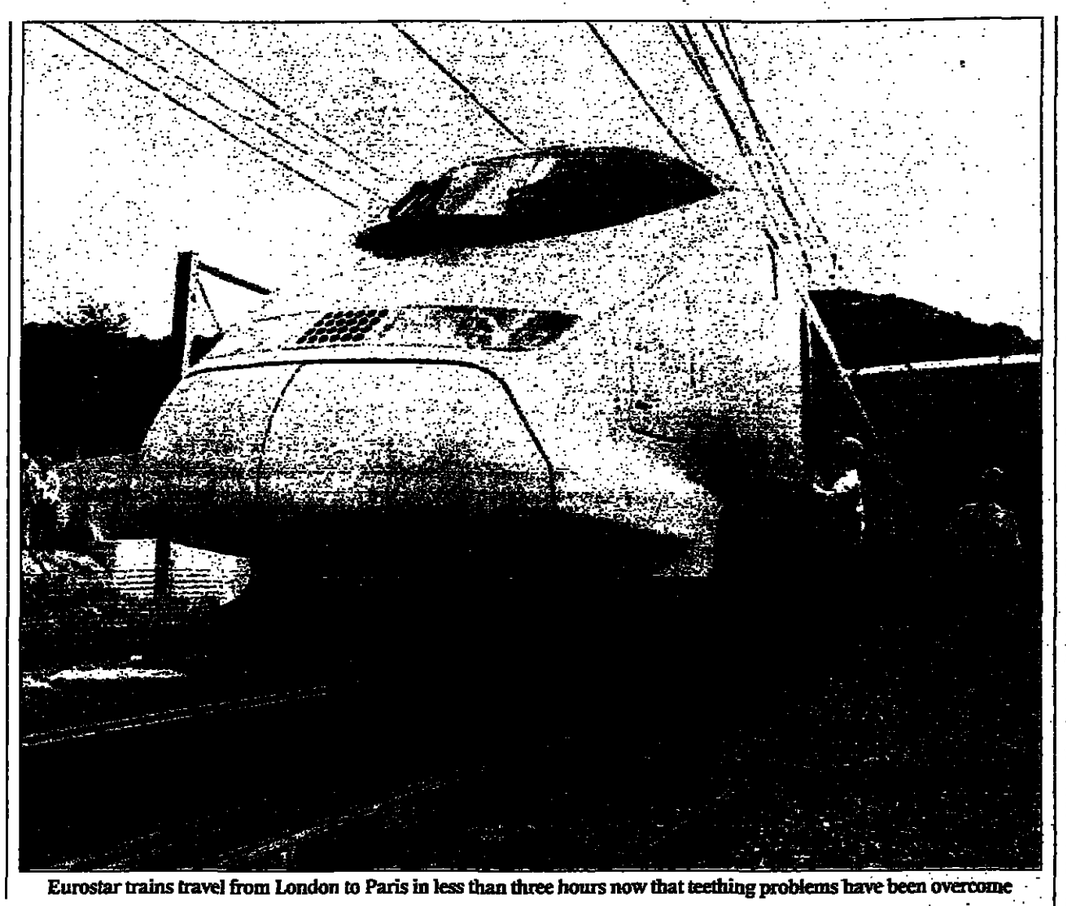
Pressure on American bond and share prices is likely to be a bigger influence on European financial markets than domestic worries. In London, the FT-SE 100 share index, which fell about 2.3 per cent last week, will come under technical pressure this morning, because the prices of a dozen of its constituent companies will be quoted ex-dividend.

London investment houses have also responded to last week's half-point rise in base rates, to 5.75 per cent, by predicting more to come. A poll of 26 investment houses by IDEA, the financial research consultancy, suggested a median expectation that base rates would rise to 8 per cent next year. Goldman Sachs, which did not expect last week's rise, argues that rates should now rise to 7 per cent by mid-1995, though most analysts do not expect further early moves.

A healthier picture of Britain's recovery is painted this morning by Oxford Economic Forecasting. This suggests that depressed manufacturing industries will take over the leadership of recovery in 1995, on the back of a 6.4 per cent rise in investment and a 7 per cent rise in exports this year. The Oxford group says recovery is better balanced than after previous recessions, with consumption lagging economic growth.

Capital goods could do particularly well. The group predicts that the transport equipment sector will grow by 7.3 per cent next year after 7 per cent this year and electrical engineering by 6.3 per cent, after 8.6 per cent.

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Eurostar trains travel from London to Paris in less than three hours now that teething problems have been overcome

Alitalia to sell assets in push to stem loss

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By Colin Narbrough

ALITALIA, Italy's loss-making national airline, is putting its sprawling corporate headquarters and its majority holding in Rome airports' system up for sale as part of its drive to restore the airline to profit.

BAA, the British airport operating company, said it is "keeping a close eye" on airport opportunities on the Continent, including Rome.

Alitalia's headquarters near Rome is on the books at 250 billion lire (£102 million), with adjacent land down at L20 billion. Market estimates put the value of the airline's 58 per cent of Rome's Fiumicino and Ciampino airports' system at around L450 billion.

Alitalia's big asset disposals could start next year as the new management team tries to cut debt fast in preparation for privatisation.

Renato Riverso, the former chairman of IBM Europe, was brought in as chairman of Alitalia six months ago, accompanied by Roberto Schisano, the new managing director, to reverse the airline's fortunes. He said he expected it to break even next year.

Last year, it suffered a net loss of L348 billion but Signor Riverso pointed out that this was only after L112 billion of asset sales, mainly aircraft. Operating losses were running at L1.5 billion a day and were even worse at the start of this year. Despite measures to stem losses the operating loss is still running at about L1 billion a day.

Signor Riverso has set out a three-phase plan for getting Alitalia on course to become a "meaningful player" in the deregulated European air transport market after 1997.

First, he is seeking to shave L750 billion a year off costs. By the end of this year the workforce will be cut by 1,300 from its present 18,000, which is expected to produce the bulk of L220 billion of cost savings.

A further 1,450 billion of savings is foreseen in streamlining the network, services and purchasing, and from new regulations to cut the raft of perks that Alitalia staff have enjoyed.

Another important step Alitalia has taken is the merger with its wholly owned domestic subsidiary ATI, a move that produced a 10 per cent productivity increase and effectively gained the group an additional four aircraft.

Lloyd's extends limited liability

By Sarah Bagnall, Insurance Correspondent

MANAGING agencies at Lloyd's plan to take advantage of new rules on corporate capital that allow companies to have only one investor or to invest in a single syndicate.

The guidelines, which apply for the next underwriting year, are part of a batch passed by the insurance market's ruling council last Wednesday. They allow for wide-ranging expansion of the limited liability investment schemes that were introduced at Lloyd's this year, ending 300 years of unlimited liability.

"Dedicated" corporate names will be able to put money into one syndicate only. One agency planning to take this route is DP Mann, which intends to set up a limited company for its syndicate 435 and to offer its 4,500 names shares. Wellington Underwriting Agencies is also considering setting up a company that would invest in the agency's syndicates.

The new guidelines also allow managing agencies to set up funds with only one investor. Agencies are not allowed to move to a single-member basis for existing syndicates, but can set up parallel syndicates. Lloyd's has ensured that this does not lead to a resurgence of insiders' "baby" syndicates, fed the best risks at the expense of external names. Every risk has to be divided pro-rata between the two syndicates.

☐ Butterfield Securities and Venton Underwriting Agencies are launching a corporate capital company that will invest in Venton's three syndicates. They are offering 25 million shares at 100p each. Investors need only provide 25p in cash; the balance can take the form of letters of credit or other collateral.

Initially, the fund will not be listed on the stock exchange because of the limited spread of syndicates in which the funds will be invested. However, under the new rules a listing is permissible and will be sought.

Societies seek extra tax relief

BUILDING societies are pleading with the Chancellor to allow permanent tax relief on deposit savings schemes, for fear of losing up to £15 billion when the scheme for tax-exempt special savings accounts (Tessas), which started in 1991, runs out (our Financial Editor writes).

They fear that much of the money in Tessas will be transferred to personal equity plans, which are also free of income and capital gains tax. Investors can put £9,000 a year into Peps but only £9,000 in total into Tessas, the tax advantages of which run out after five years.

The Building Societies Association wants the Government's review of savings and funds for industry to recommend treating different kinds of savings equally. This could mean that savers would be able to keep tax relief on maturing Tessas and open new accounts. But the review could favour long-term loan funds.

Eurotunnel on track for passengers next month

By Ross Tieman, Industrial Correspondent

THE first commercial passenger train services from London to Paris and Brussels are on course to begin next month.

Eurotunnel, the company that owns and operates the Channel tunnel, is expected to apply to safety supervisors this week for consent to open its tracks to trains carrying fare-paying passengers.

The application for an operating licence from the Intergovernmental Safety Commission comes after months of testing of the trains and procedures for emergency evacuation from the tunnel.

Teething problems with power supplies for the huge Eurostar trains, each comprising 18 coaches and two locomotives, have been overcome. During tests involving staff from French and British railways, the trains, costing £25 million, have regularly completed the journey from London to Paris in less than three hours, despite being obliged to run more slowly than originally planned on tracks in Britain.

Provided the safety tests are satisfactory, the Intergovernmental Safety Commission is expected to award an operating licence to Eurotunnel by the end of this month. That will enable European Passenger Services, the state-owned British partner in the three-country train operating consortium, to begin advertising services to the public.

When services begin, in late October or possibly early November, one daily train to and from Brussels, and two each way to Paris, are likely to be offered. But the frequency is set to build up steadily through the winter to reach 20 trains in each direction daily by the spring of 1995.

As service frequency rises, the 760-seat trains are expected to pose a growing challenge to airlines, especially on the London to Paris route, Europe's busiest.

The tunnel is already being used to carry a growing volume of freight traffic to and from the continent. Through trains are being operated from Britain deep into Europe. The frequency of the drive-on, drive-off service of shuttle trains for lorries, meanwhile, has been increased to two an hour in each direction. The trains, shuttling between Folkestone and Calais, offer a turn-up-and-go service for lorries for 16 hours a day. Trains will run every 20 minutes as demand rises.

Tests on the fourth and final element of the tunnel service, the drive-on, drive-off shuttles for cars, are also well advanced. Eurotunnel is expected to seek safety approval for this service within the next few weeks.

That would enable Eurotunnel to launch its publicity-seeking "overture" service in October, with commercial services, striking at the core tourist market of the cross-Channel ferry companies, available by November.

Shell hires McKinsey to review group structure



John Jennings, head of Shell's UK holding company

By Carl Mortished

THE Anglo-Dutch Shell group, one of the world's largest enterprises, has hired McKinsey & Company, the powerful management consultancy, to help the oil multinational with an in-depth review of its management structure aimed at improving performance and reducing costs by cutting out layers of bureaucracy.

The oil group, which, in line with its peers, has been selling its non-core businesses and cutting staff costs, has decided to launch a review of the way its head-office service companies, based in London and The Hague, relate to the operating companies that conduct Shell's exploration, manufacturing and marketing businesses around the world.

BP, Shell's smaller British rival, has undergone drastic slimming of its central function, including a symbolic move to a much smaller head office, and is still shedding staff fast.

Shell's review is to be "open to the challenging of all basic assumptions". In a circular to staff last week, Shell's committee of managing directors said that initiatives to improve the business had achieved tangible benefits. "It is necessary, however, to find further ways to enhance performance and reduce cost," it added.

Shell's distinctive decentralised structure was developed with McKinsey in the 1950s, weaving more than 100 operating subsidiaries together via the many service companies under holding companies in Britain and The Netherlands. A third holding company runs the virtually autonomous American Shell Oil Company. This is the first time that the organisation, which involves a complex system of checks and balances, known as "the matrix", has been reviewed. Shell's service companies provide expertise and strategic guidance to operating companies underneath the quoted investment companies, Royal Dutch and Shell Transport and Trading, the British company chaired by John Jennings.

A Shell spokesman said that the intention was to look at the service companies with a fresh eye after 30 years, in part to ensure that the organisation's costs were appropriate. "The world has changed after 30-odd years and you have to look at the situation and see how it has changed and how the service companies reflect the needs of the operating companies," he said.

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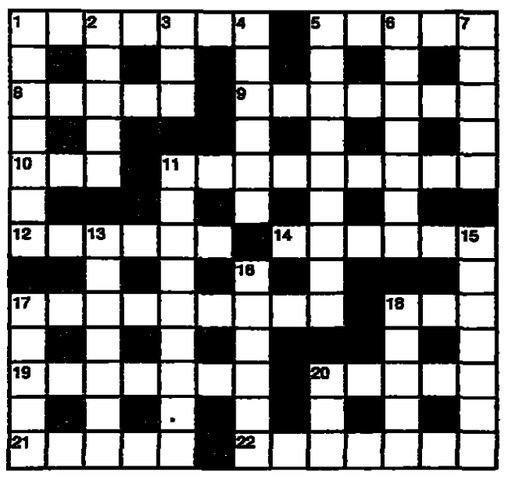
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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD
No 270

ACROSS
1 With dense housing (5-2)
5 Fixture to which rope secured (5)
8 Initiate (5)
9 Restricted: type of company (7)
10 Item at auction (3)
11 French flag (9)
12 Essential character (6)
14 Start to cause problems (4,2)
17 Culminating intolerable incident (4,5)
18 Judo grade (3)
19 Body opening (7)
20 Brief, intense fashion (5)
21 Bird, USA emblem (5)
22 Diminish (7)

DOWN
1 Hanging Gardens city (7)
2 Block of cast metal (5)
3 Catch the sun (3)
4 Wan (6)
5 Body of rules based on precedent, custom (6,3)
6 Measure of system's disorder (7)
7 English royal house (5)
11 Revolving admission gate (9)
13 Wine sampling session (7)
15 Acrid, caustic (7)
16 Quaker (6)
17 Unconfined (5)
18 Piece for acting (5)
20 Tiny bed (3)

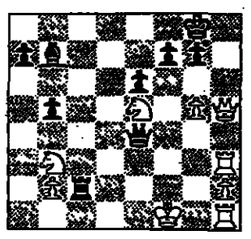
SOLUTION TO NO 269

ACROSS: 1 Insider 5 Babel 8 Twang 9 Stopgap 10 Might and main 12 Topple 14 Appeal 17 Knife-grinder 21 Evasive 22 Baloo 23 Sheer 24 Species

DOWN: 1 Intimate 2 Slang 3 Digital 4 Resent 5 Broom 6 Beguile 7 Lope 11 Glorious 13 Pen-name 15 Pliable 16 Ogress 18 Friar 19 Delhi 20 Mess

WINNING MOVE
By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Anand - Ivanchuk, Intel Grand Prix, London 1994. Ivanchuk misses a move that even a total beginner would hope to spot. He played 1 ... Qf4+. Can you see anything better?



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WORD-WATCHING
By Philip Howard

OIRAN
a. A western Irish dialect
b. A Japanese courtesan
c. The Celtic Utopia

PELONG
a. Indian material
b. A drainage dyke
c. A carnivorous fish

PIQUER
a. To insert bacon
b. To stitch a hem
c. A Basque bullfighter

REIFICATION
a. Coronation of a monarch
b. Depersonalisation
c. Roofing

Answers on page 42

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